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ADMIRAL'S YACHT

Court Martial of the
Commander.

SPIRITED DEFENCE.
Allegations Against The
Admiral.

The concluding stages of the
enquiry into the wreck of H.M.S.
Petersfield, took place on H.M.S.
Tamar yesterday. Commander
D. C. Lang, who was
tried by court-martial, addressed
the Court in his own defence,
and referred to the delicate and
desperately distasteful task of
cross-examining the Comman-
der-in-Chief.

As the cross-examination re-
vealed, the C-in-C., it was
alleged, interfered on three
occasions — firstly, when he (ac-
cused) was obtaining the six
near Tung Yung Island; second-
ly, when he was altering the
course; and, thirdly, when he
told the Navigating Officer to
stop at 3 a.m. instead of 2 a.m.
There were also two other oc-
casions, he alleged, on one of
which the C-in-C. told him he
was there to obey orders and not
to do what he wanted.

Prudence and Safety.

Continuing, Commander Lang
said that he was accused of fail-
ing to conduct the ship with pru-
dence and safety, but he submit-
ted to the Court that no one
could do more than he did. He
had tried to adopt every measure
of safety, but could not do so
because he was not ordered to.
That was his defence. The Com-
mander-in-Chief had admitted
that he took command of the
ship after she had struck, but he
(Commander Lang) was not
aware of it and was never told
by him. The only possible ex-
planation to be assumed was
that he took over command when
he gave orders.

Article 26 of the King's Re-
gulations, referring to the res-
ponsibility of the Flag and Sen-
ior Officers, states that the flag
senior officer is responsible for
the safe conduct of the fleet,
squadron of ships, or ship pre-
sent with him and acting in con-
cert under his orders.

Flag Officer Responsible.

The orders clearly stated "the
ship present with him" not him
present with the flagship. Presu-
mably in this case the ship
was present with the Flag Of-
ficer, and he therefore humbly
submitted that the Flag Of-
ficer must be responsible for
the effect of any orders given by
him.

Had he (Commander Lang)
been left to himself, he would
have stopped at 2 a.m., and they
would not have been in any dan-
ger. That he took the C-in-C.'s
message to go on until 3 a.m., as
an order, was clearly proved by
his reply to the Navigating Of-
ficer: "We've damn well got to
go on, boy, the Commander-in-
Chief has said so." He therefore
submitted that the responsibility
of hazarding and stranding did
not lie with him and that he
should be discharged by the
Court on those charges.

The Commander-in-Chief had
access to all charts and steering
directions but the King's Re-
gulations state that the Cap-
tain is responsible for the
safe keeping and steering of
the ship, so that according
to the King's Regulations, he was
responsible.

Matter of Common Sense.

This, however, was arguable, as
it would mean that he would have
to disregard the C-in-C.'s orders,
and he put it to the Court, as a
matter of common sense, that an
officer, when continually overruled
by a Commander-in-Chief with his
past experience of the sea and
intimate knowledge of navigating,
was bound to suffer a psychological
effect, and make him under-
estimate the value of, or doubt, his
own judgment.

He could not override the orders
of the C-in-C. unless in dire neces-
sity, and he hoped that the Court
would appreciate the difficult
position in which he was placed
when he tried to cross-examine
the C-in-C. and was unable to

OUTBURST OF FIRING IN TIENTSIN

MISSIONARIES EVACUATING

AN ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN
ARMOURED CARS

CHINESE TROOPS DESERT

Reuter cables from Tientsin that a violent outburst of firing occurred
at 2 a.m. yesterday, but who started it cannot be ascertained. Several
shells from the Japanese Concession, it is reported, dropped in the
American Methodist compound in the native city. No material dam-
age appears to have been done but the members of the Mission evacu-
ated the place yesterday.

The Chinese reply to the Japanese ultimatum has apparently not satisfied the Japanese
military authorities, who consider it vague and evasive but hitherto there have been no further
developments in this connection. Fifty Japanese marines have arrived from Tangku, and more
are expected at anytime.

A report from Mukden says that Japanese reinforcements were sent down by the Peking-
Mukden Railway yesterday headed by armoured trains, one of which met a Chinese armoured
train a little east of Tahushan. After a short engagement the Chinese troops deserted the train
and escaped into the country leaving the train in the hands of the Japanese who have now over-
taken the crews.

PLANE BOMBERS ASSIST FROM MUKDEN

Mukden, Yesterday.
It is now learned most reliably
that one mixed brigade was
sent down by the Peking-Mukden
Railway yesterday, occupying
six trains. The operations of
this brigade are assisted by
squadrons of aeroplanes from
Mukden, including bombers.

British Uneasiness.
London, Yesterday.
British uneasiness at the
latest developments in Man-
churia is indicated by the exten-
sive notice in the news columns
of the newspapers splashing a re-
ported attack on Chinchow.

The Times's Paris correspon-
dent gathers that only the Jap-
anese threat to Chinchow stands
in the way of Chinese assent to
the Council's resolution.
Japanese Withdrawal.
Tokyo, Yesterday.
A Mukden message says that
the Japanese troops have been
withdrawn to Hsinmintun on
express orders from the Govern-
ment.

It is reported from Mukden
that the withdrawal of Japanese
troops along the Peking-Mukden
Railway started this morning.
C-in-C.'s Decision.
Tokyo, Yesterday.
Press despatches from Mukden
report that General Honjo has
decided to withdraw all troops at
present west of Mukden within
the railway zone next week.
Paris Hopes.
Paris, Yesterday.
The sudden recrudescence of
fighting in Tientsin has again
shown the very critical nature of
the situation in the Far East,
but Tientsin is not a nerve cen-
tre similar to that of Chinchow.
It is hoped that the
efforts of the observers
on the spot, seconded by
the goodwill of the Japanese
Government, will prevent an at-
tack on Chinchow, which, it is
felt, would completely wreck the
efforts of the League Council
just as things are shaping for a
final settlement.

A report that Baron Shidehara
has declared that he will resign
if Chinchow is attacked has
greatly strengthened the prevail-
ing optimism.
Chinese Idea Vetoed.
Dr. Sze is still anxious that in
the Council's resolution, which is
now re-drafted some period
should be fixed for the comple-

tion of the Japanese withdrawal,
but the Council all feel that any
such stipulation will have no
chance of acceptance by Japan.
—Reuter.
A Denial.
Paris, Yesterday.
M. Briand categorically denies
that he told Dr. Sze that he in-
tended invoking Article XVI of
the Covenant against Japan with
American help if Japan attacked
Chinchow.

Prepared to Withdraw.
"It, therefore, does not object,
in principle, to declaring that
should the Chinese forces be
withdrawn from the Chinchow
district to the west of Shanhai-
kwana, which the Chinese Gov-
ernment recently proposed to do
to the French Government, the
Japanese forces will not enter
the zone thus evacuated, except
in the event of a serious and
urgent threat endangering the lives
and property of Japanese nation-
als or troops. The Japanese Gov-
ernment is prepared to instruct
its authorities on the spot to
conclude detailed arrangements
in this connection with the Chi-
nese local authorities."

Troops Ordered to Return.
Tokyo, Yesterday.
It is officially stated that Gen-
eral Honjo at eight o'clock last
night ordered the troops advanc-
ing on Chinchow to return to
Mukden as soon as possible.
Mukden Astonished.
Mukden, Yesterday.
The amazing change in the
military situation in Manchuria
overnight has astonished Muk-
den. General Honjo's head-
quarters announced that in view
of the fact that the Tientsin
situation had been eased, troops
sent down the P.M.R. yesterday
were withdrawing east of the
Liao River, and that evacuation
had already started. He also an-
nounced a general withdrawal of
Japanese troops to the P.M.R.
zone stating that all detachments
of Japanese outside the zone
were being reduced to an abso-
lute minimum and the remainder
were withdrawing to the zone.
Six trains bearing the brigade
which went to the P.M.R. yester-
day are expected to return to-
day.—Reuter.

Dr. Sze in a Dilemma.
The latest news from Mukden
concerning the withdrawal of
Japanese forces across the
Liao river apparently con-
firms Japanese assurances.
Dr. Sze explained that his
drafting committee that his
position was rendered very dif-
ficult owing to reports of Jap-
anese activity in Manchuria which,

apparently, was increasing. He
added there was little point in
discussing the League's proposal,
if there were no guarantees of
fulfilment by Japan.
Japan's Reply to M. Briand.
Japan, replying to M. Briand's
appeal, states that Japanese
troops will take no hostile act,
except in self-defence or as a
police measure; adding, if the
Chinese forces are withdrawn
from the Chinchow district, the
Japanese forces will not enter
the neutral zone, unless Jap-
anese nationals are endangered.

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to that common sense that he was
appealing and not to law.
"I can honestly and conscienti-
ously say," he added, "that if I had
had a free hand, I should have
stopped at 02.00 hrs. and H.M.S.
Petersfield would not have been
wrecked."
Court's Finding.
The Court found him guilty on
the charges of stranding and
hazarding the ship, but on the
charge that he "did cause the H.M.S.

Petersfield to be lost" was dis-
charged. He was ordered to be
severely reprimanded.
A letter was read to the Court by
the Judge Advocate that was to be
sent to the Commander-in-Chief, in
which the Court recorded their ap-
preciation of the conduct of the
officers and men of H.M.S. Peters-
field, subsequent to the grounding,
and considered it to be in accord-
ance with the best traditions of the
Service.

DRAMATIC SEIZURE

Naval Encounter in
Snowstorm

SMUGGLING OF LIQUOR

Dramatic Seizure of Submarine
Chaser

Helsingfors, Yesterday.
A dramatic naval encounter
in a blinding snowstorm, in
which 400 shots were fired, had
its sequel in the seizure by
constabulars of the Poseidon, an
ex-German submarine chaser,
which, it is alleged, had been
attempting to defeat the Prohi-
bition laws by smuggling a big
cargo of liquor.

On Wednesday night the
Police discovered the Poseidon
and opened an attack on the
vessel, which was flying the
Czechoslovakian flag.

The Poseidon replied with a
force fire, and a brisk fight en-
sued.

The Police suffered no casual-
ties.

The Poseidon was a little dam-
aged.—Reuter.

BERT HINKLER

Air Minister Cables

Congratulations

BRILLIANT FEAT

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Australian airman, Bert
Hinkler, yesterday, completed a
brilliant non-stop solo flight across
the South Atlantic in a British
Standard Puss Moth machine with
a 120 horse power Gipsy three en-
gine. He left Natal in Brazil on
Wednesday and reached Bathurst
in Gambia 22 hours later.

Lord Londonderry, Air Minister,
has telegraphed him congratula-
tions on his remarkable achieve-
ment which, he says, adds to the
prestige of Australian airmen and
British aircraft and engines.—Brit-
ish Wireless Service.

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YESTERDAY'S DRAWINGS.

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No. 172 \$1,027.60
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" 4 146.80
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Nos.: 324, 98, 344, 202, 211, 290,
222, 64.

Race 2.

No. 400 \$1,295
" 5 370
" 86 185
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 101, 603, 246, 257, 18, 285,
78.

Race 3.

No. 102 \$1,601.60
" 205 457.60
" 382 228.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 12, 323, 272, 243, 284, 6.

Race 4.

No. 639 \$3,500
" 690 1,000
" 477 500
Unplaced runners (\$100 each).
Nos.: 349, 166, 605, 140, 118, 319.

Race 5.

No. 473 \$1,365.30
" 304 1,365.30
" 22 303.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 529, 235, 119, 333, 400, 218,
208, 450, 338, 171, 318.

* Dead Heat.

Race 6.

No. 13 \$2,056.60
" 436 587.60
" 170 293.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 115, 41, 278, 502, 224.

Race 7.

No. 8 \$1,508.40
" 256 1,508.40
" 462 395.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 755, 200.

Race 8.

No. 225 \$2,578.80
" 697 788.80
" 902 368.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each).
Nos.: 408, 692, 534, 777, 420, 144,
264, 409, 554, 459.

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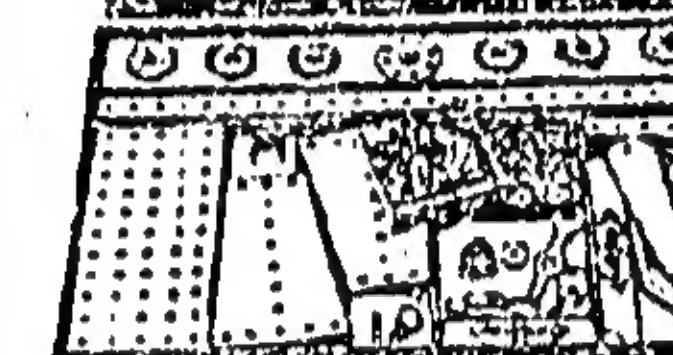
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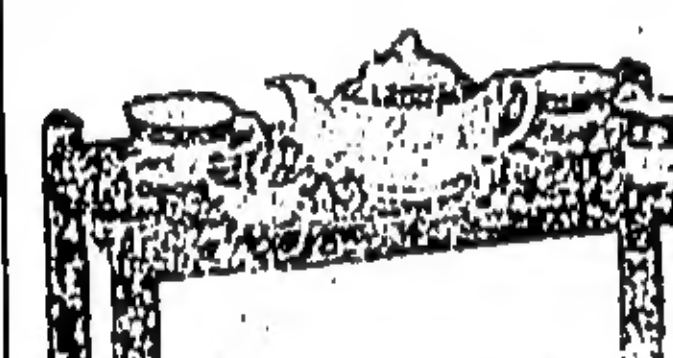
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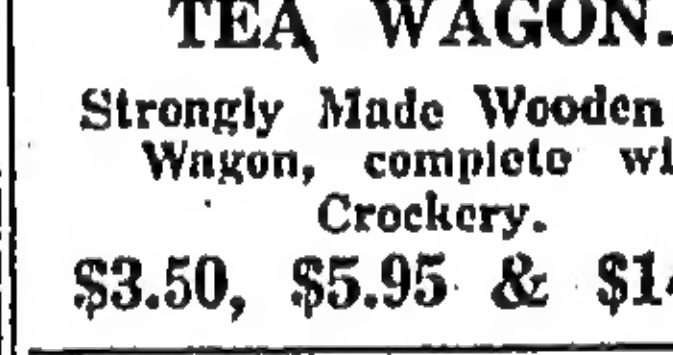
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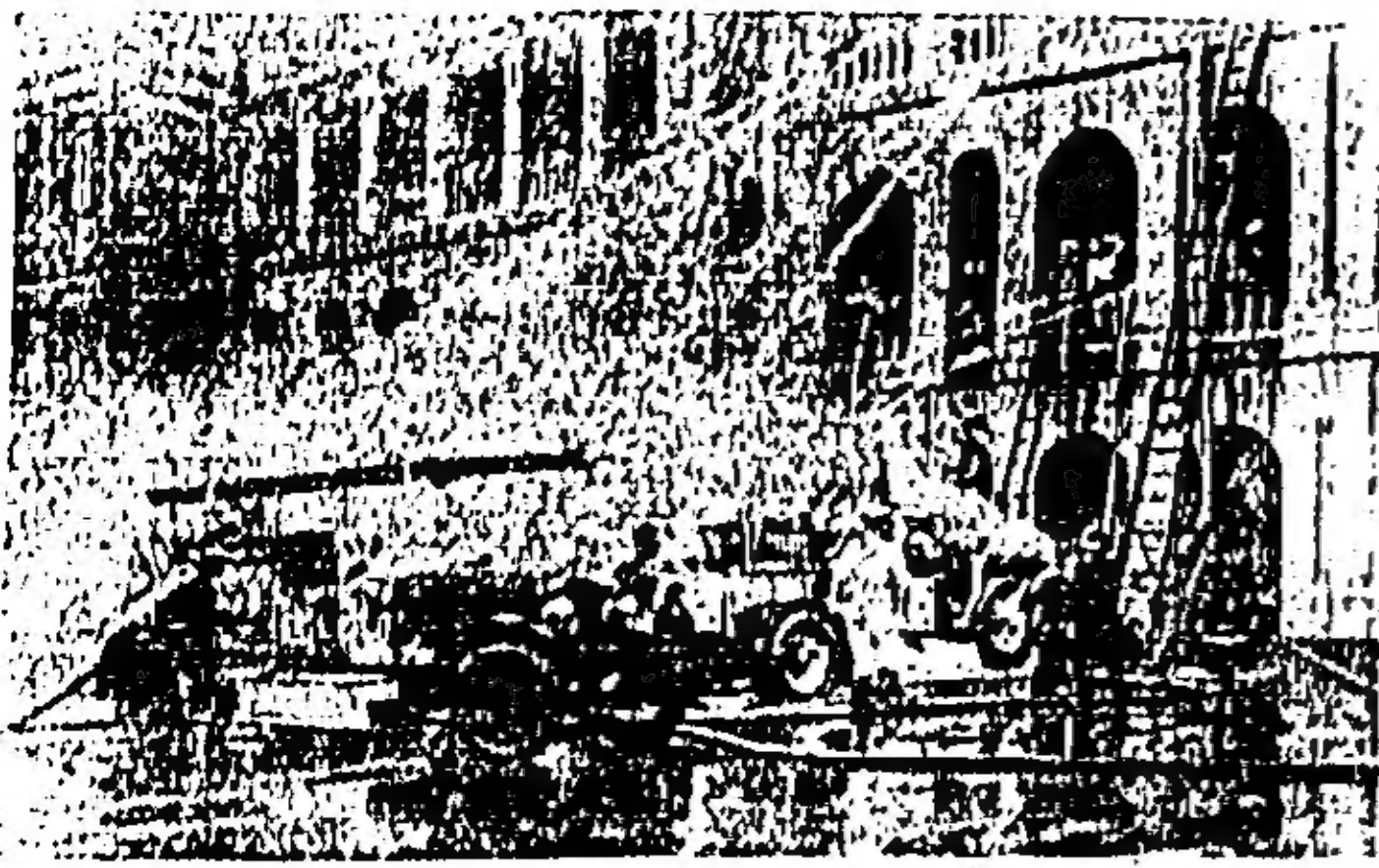
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BRING THE
CHILDREN TO SEE
THE TOYS

AT

WHITEAWAYS



A scene during the recent annual display at the Central Police Station compound, where the fire fighting forces of the Colony were seen in action.

Hong Kong, as history records, was ceded to Great Britain in 1842. Sixteen years later the first mention of a Fire Brigade is come upon. It was then known as the Police Fire Brigade. And, I believe, continued as such until the end of 1922, when it was disbanded and reorganised as the Hong Kong Fire Brigade. So that the present Fire Brigade can actually trace its descent back to 1863, if not earlier.

Admirably Devised Scheme.
A Police Commission, which sat in 1872, declared that the Police Fire Brigade was an admirably devised scheme, and the only available public provision of the kind possible in the Colony without incurring unnecessary expense.

The Commission also advised that one of the senior officers of the Police establishment should be appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Brigade, in order to prevent duplicity of office and the clash of orders.

Growth of the Brigade.
The Brigade's first great task was the disastrous fire of 1878, to which reference is made later. At that time it comprised six engines manned by 14 European members of the Police Force. By 1888 the personnel had increased to 33 European members, and its headquarters was at No. 5 Police Station, Queen's Road, the present-day Ho Tung Building. By 1908 its strength had increased to 46 Europeans and 51 Chinese. During the years of the Great War the strength of the Brigade was con-

siderably depleted, but by the end of 1919 its full complement of European personnel had once again been secured. Its strength was then 127 men, of all ranks. The authorised strength of the Staff for the year 1930 was 12 Europeans and 272 Chinese.

Other Local Fire Brigades.

The Police Fire Brigade, in the early years of the history of this Colony, was not the only fire brigade in existence in the Colony. The Naval Yard and the Imperial Insurance had one engine apiece. The Pawnbrokers, the Cloth Merchants, and the Nam Pak Hong Volunteers also had engines. In 1879 Government had 2 steam engines and 5 manual engines. In addition there was a fireboat stationed at Yau-mat. In 1889 the Volunteer Fire Brigade, which was then older than the Police Fire Brigade, was disbanded; and in 1897 the Nam Pak Hong Volunteer Brigade was placed in the charge of 2 European officers, but two years later it finally ceased to exist and was absorbed by the Police Fire Brigade. Dur-

ing the period of the Great War, 1917 to be precise, in order to assist the Police Fire Brigade, the strength of which had been greatly depleted by men rallying to the colours, a Volunteer Fire Brigade was formed, its members being drawn from the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and the Police Reservists. The strength of this unit in 1913 was 21—12 active members who attended all fires, and 9 who held themselves in readiness for extra large outbreaks. The first fire attended by the Volunteer Fire Brigade was one which broke out in April 1917 in Messrs. Watson's godown. In February 1920 the Volunteer Fire Brigade ceased to exist, the Police Fire Brigade by then having its full complement of officers and men.

What Firefighters Were Paid in 1888.

In 1888, it is interesting to note, the rate of pay for a European member of the Fire Brigade was \$3.50 per month, and for the Chinese firemen \$1 to \$1.50 per month! Not princely wages, by any means, and considering the hazardous nature of their work it speaks well for the public spiritedness of the staff. At this time also, street coolies were hired, when wanted, to pull the fire engines and appliances to the scene of a fire. You will be able to imagine what an amount of valuable time was lost thereby. I daresay, in some cases, the Fire Brigade got to the scene of a fire when the fire was dying down of itself. And, by the way, the firemen used, in those days, to wear bamboo hats.

Fire Bells.

In those far off days, there were, of course, no street fire alarms and no efficient telephone service to enable the news of an outbreak of fire to be conveyed promptly to the Fire Brigade. So, a watchman was constantly on duty at the Clock Tower, and other watchmen were placed on the lookout on the tower of the Fire Station. As soon as a fire was spotted, or advice of a fire given, bells were rung, the number of the rings denoting the district in which the outbreak had occurred.

Motorising the Brigade.

1911 saw the advent of the first motor fire fighting appliance into the Colony. It took the form of a fire escape and tender combined. In 1913, it was considered desirable that a motor fire engine should be purchased to replace the two manual engines which were fast becoming obsolete. But it was not until 1916 that the first motor fire engine arrived. An early as 1900 and 1901 it was found necessary to invest in



A familiar sight in Kowloon. Firemen at practice on the fire tower at Tai Tam Tsui.

longer fire escapes, and a new telescopic fire escape was purchased in the latter year. It was able to reach up 60 feet. This was necessary as by then the newer buildings were of a much greater height than formerly. In 1919, 2 American fire motor engines were purchased; and in the same year plans for the building of a new Central Station (the present one) were approved. Also, in this year, a motor ambulance service was started, directly financed by the Government.

The H.K.F.B. Formed.

In 1918 an enquiry was held into the working of the Fire Brigade, but it was not until the end of 1922 that effect was given to the suggestions of that enquiry. The Police Fire Brigade then ceased to exist, and the Brigade was reorganised and its control and staff transferred from the Police to the new body, which became known as the Hong Kong Fire Brigade, a body of trained professional firefighters. With the arrival of Mr. Saunders as Station Officer, and Mr. H. T. Brooks as Superintendent, the European Staff was regarded, for the time being, as complete. Mr. Brooks took over office from the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, who then assumed office as Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade. This office he holds to-day. Mr. Wolfe had been Superintendent of the Fire Brigade since 1918.

Christmas Day Fire of 1878.

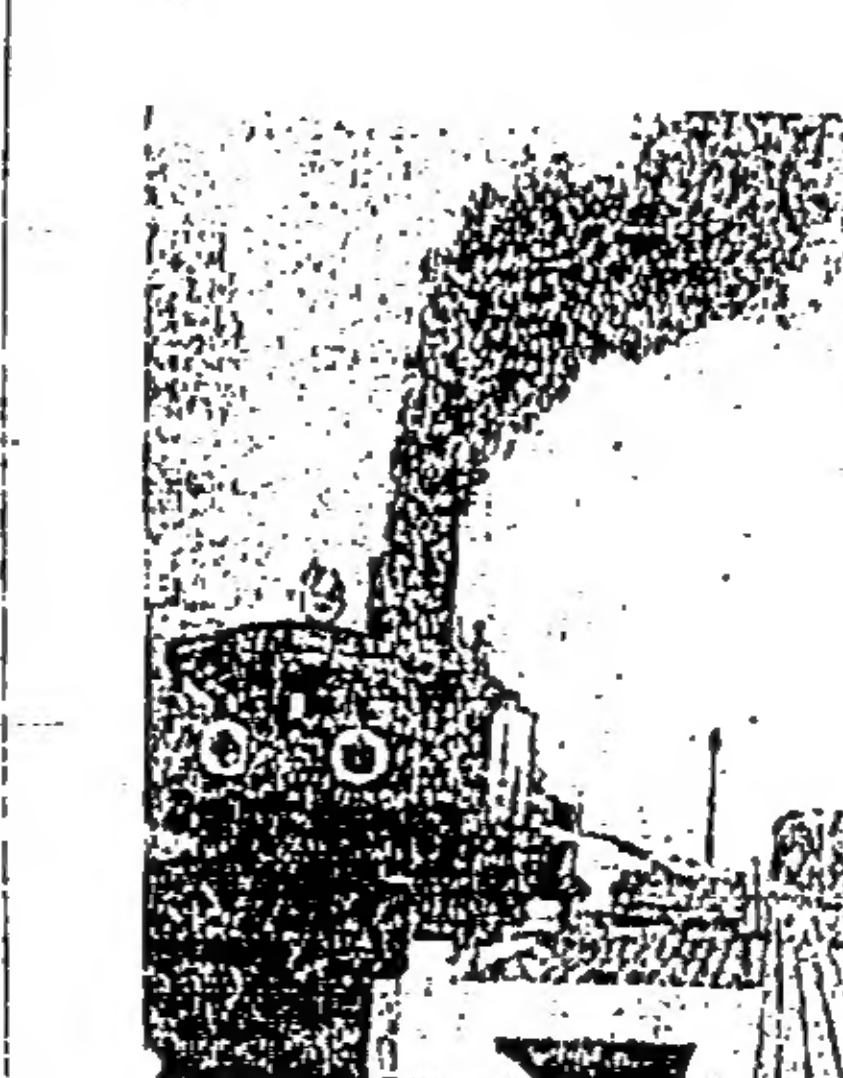
The first great fire to engage the attention of the Police Fire Brigade occurred in 1878 on Christmas night, above all other nights. The



Mr. H. T. Brooks, M.I. Fire E., Superintendent, Hong Kong Fire Brigade.

fire started in Endicott Lane. Ere the Brigade arrived and steam had been raised, the flames, fanned by a strong wind, had spread and three houses resembled roaring furnaces. When steam had been raised and the hose connected up, it was discovered that the hose to one of the engines had been cut in two places. There is reason to believe that it was deliberately rendered useless. By who was never discovered. The fire spread rapidly, and houses on the north side of Queen's Road were set ablaze. So fiercely did the fire rage and spread, that the Imperial Insurance (Messrs. Gibbs, Livingstone & Co.) engine, and other hand engines, had to beat hasty retreats. The fire raged all night and all the next day, and it was not until 6 o'clock in the evening of Boxing Day that the fire was got under control. And it was not until January 2, 1879, that work in connection with the quelling of the fire absolutely ceased. The Military and Naval authorities were

called upon for help, but the Naval Yard's steam engine could not be worked for want of water, and the blasting parties, provided by the Military, soon ran out of powder and their fuses refused to go off. They had been asked to demolish buildings in the fire area in order to confine the outbreak. Three hundred and sixty-one houses were



Afloat as well as ashore, the Fire Brigade is equipped with the latest fire fighting appliances. This picture shows the No. 1 Fire Boat working at full pressure during practice at Kowloon.

destroyed, and the loss was estimated at \$241,760 to local and Year's Day, 1926, causing damage to the extent of \$2,500,000. The Volunteer Fire Brigades rendered yeoman-like service, some of their members working continuously for 19 hours at a stretch. The engines were employed for 181 hours continuously pumping water from the sea on to the flames. The fire affected 19 streets.

Record Year For Fires.

In 1887 a disastrous fire, which broke out at Tsai Tan Tsui in Messrs. Blackhead & Co.'s coal shed, caused damage to the extent of \$125,000. And, in the same year, on November 16, another large fire broke out in Queen's Road Central, where 34 houses became involved. On the occasion of this fire the first fatality involving a firefighter occurred. Fireman Fox was killed when he entered a burning building which collapsed soon after he had gone within.

1887 was a record year for fires, no fewer than 161 were registered. These numerous fires, many of which were suspected to be acts of incendiarism, were, at the time, attributed to the indiscriminate issue of fire policies by insurance companies. No doubt, the companies learnt a lesson, though a somewhat expensive one.

Kennedy Town Disaster.
Coming down to more recent times another disastrous fire broke out in Kennedy Town early in

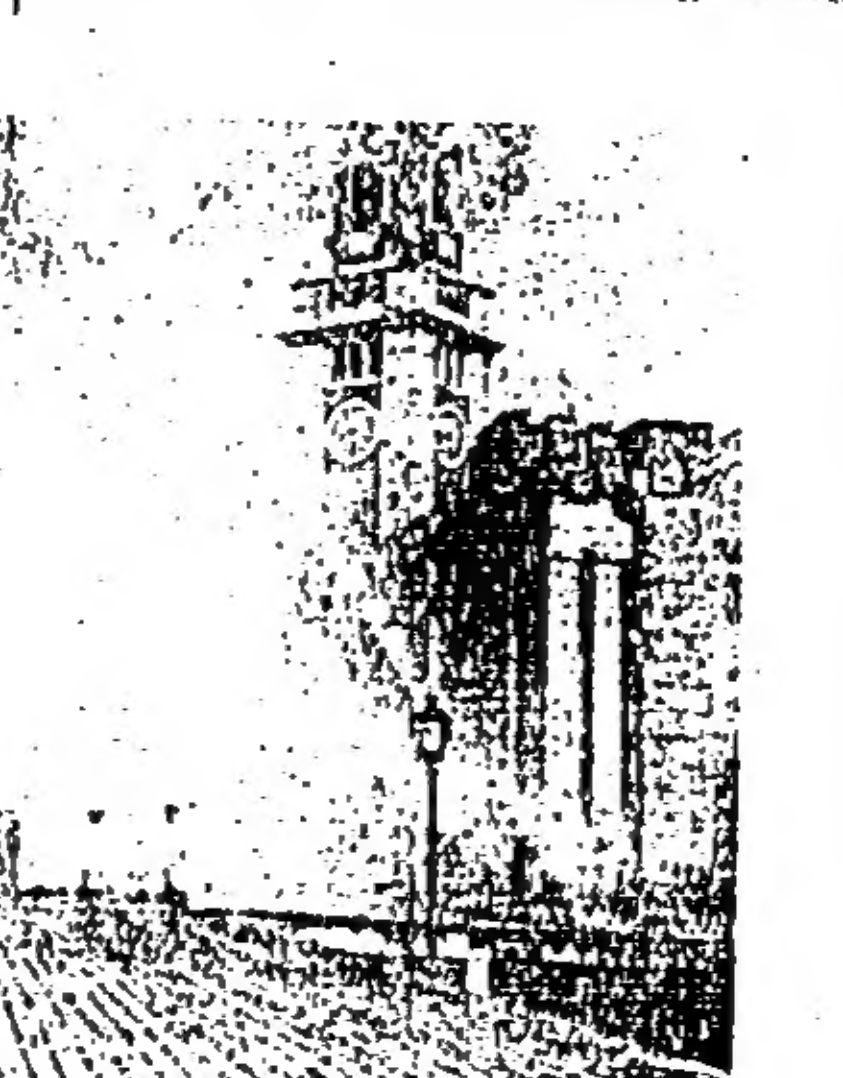


The last of the mammoth. This ancient appliance now lies at Cheung Chow, a relic of bygone days.

February 1920, when a block of eight four-storey houses was burned down. In this fire 34 persons lost their lives, and a great number were injured. The damage was estimated at \$760,000.

Other Notable Fires.

After the disastrous Race Course fire, probably one of our most sensational fires was the Hong Kong



Mr. G. S. Saunders, Officer in charge, Kowloon Fire Brigade.

Hotel fire, which broke out on New Year's Day, 1926, causing damage to the extent of \$2,500,000. The fire broke out about breakfast time, and such was the grip it obtained that danger of total loss was not averted until mid-day. It was generally held that the loss would have been much greater had it not been for the assistance ren-

dered by Service men and other voluntary helpers. Among the helpers was H.R.H. Sub-Lieut. Prince George, R.N. In this fire Able Seaman Batchelor, of H.M.S. Hawkins, received fatal injuries through a fall.

Another serious hotel fire broke out in the King Edward Hotel in the early hours of March 11, 1929, this time attended by a greater loss of life than the Hong Kong Hotel blaze. The alarm was raised just before three o'clock in the morning.

Two other fires, in which there was great loss of life, were the Staunton Street fire, which broke out on June 9, 1931, when 15 people were burned to death, and the most recent fire at No. 42, Pottinger Street, on November 8, when nine people were incinerated.

Space to-day does not permit of other interesting details, in connection with Hong Kong's up-to-date and decidedly efficient fire-fighting appliances, and capable and intrepid firefighters, being recorded here, and reluctantly I am obliged to hold these over for another time.

HONG KONG'S FIRE BRIGADE

A FEW HISTORICAL FACTS

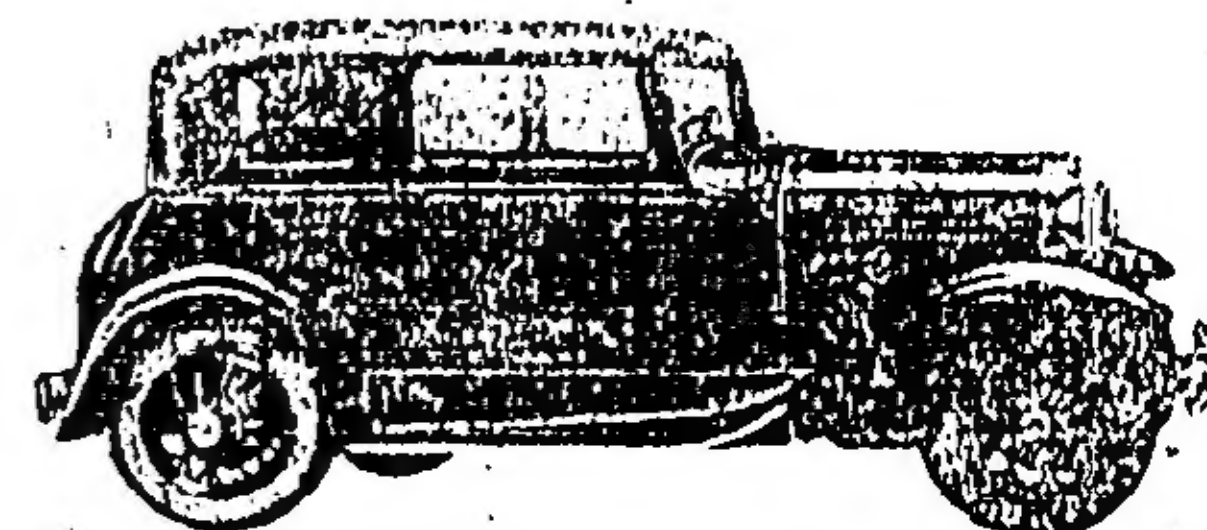
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An Ordinance to amend further the Registration of United Kingdom Patents Ordinance, 1925.

1. This Ordinance may be cited the Registration of United Kingdom Patents Amendment Ordinance, 1931.
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Objects and Reasons.

1. This Ordinance amends the principal Ordinance (No. 13 of 1925) as amended by Ordinance No. 10 of 1928, in accordance with the instructions given by the Secretary of State in his despatch of September 12, 1931.
2. The effect of the amendment is to add a paragraph to section 8 of the principal Ordinance which will make it clear that the public use in Hong Kong of a United Kingdom Patent by the owner thereof prior to his application for registration will not be a bar to such registration.

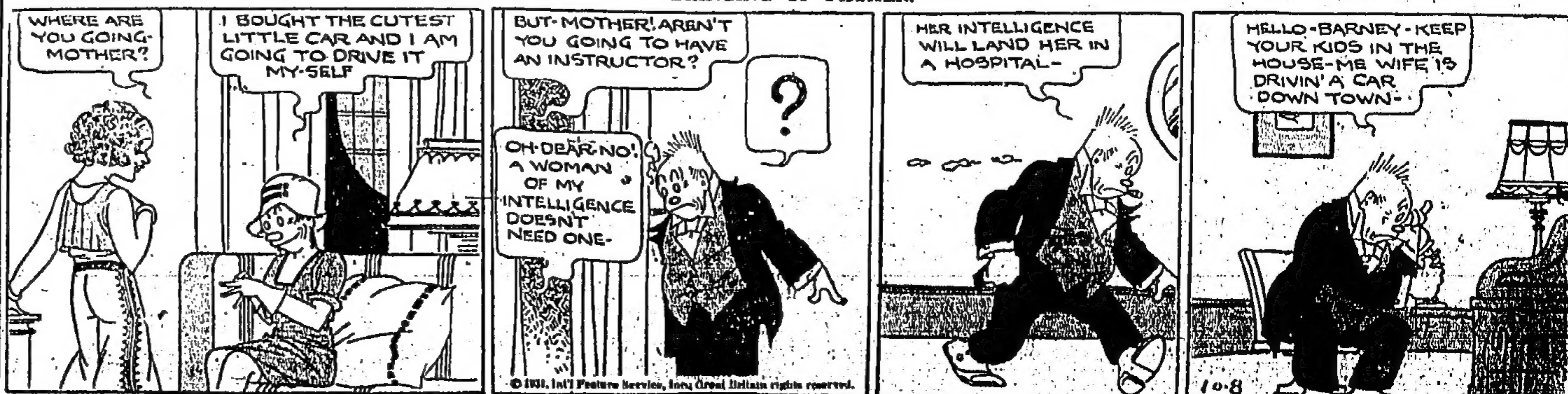
MAN KILLED BY LORRY.

A fatal motor accident occurred shortly after six o'clock yesterday morning. Chan Ho, of 54 Russell Street, reports that he was driving a Hong Kong Tramway repair lorry along Hennessy Road, in Wanchai, and when opposite house No. 892, suddenly stepped off the pavement and ran across the roadway. He was knocked down, the lorry passing over him. The injured man was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, but he died on the way.

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CLUB BEAT RECREIO IN THE SENIOR SHIELD.

BORDERERS ELIMINATE KOWLOON

BIG POLICE VICTORY

RECREIO AND AIR FORCE DRAW AFTER EXTRA TIME.

ARGYLLS GAIN "DOUBLE"

Senior Shield.

KOWLOON SHIELD RECORD GOES BY THE BOARD.

Borderers ... 3 Kowloon ... 0

On the Railway ground. From the kick-off the Borderers had Kowloon on the defensive and Gurevitch was called upon to deal with some nasty shots from Davies and Jones. Martin relieved the pressure and Timberlake set his left wing going. Ianston going near. The soldiers, by neat passing, were in the Kowloon territory and Podmore sent in a raking shot which Gurevitch pushed behind for a corner. The soldiers were playing pretty football and several shots were directed at Gurevitch, who cleared his lines well. The Kowloon halves had a lot to contend with and although on the defensive, they got their forwards going. McKelvie sending Downy away on the right. The winger took the ball down and pushed it across to Timberlake, whose first timer went straight into the goalkeeper's hands. Beautiful passing by the Borderers' left wing resulted in their taking the lead. Duncan sending his centre to Jones, who beat Gurevitch with a beautiful shot.

The Borderers kept up the attack and went very near again, but Harris was offside. The Kowloon left wing was a danger to the soldiers' defence throughout, and had Ianston shot instead of dribbling, the scores might have been level. The Borderers' halves were feeding their forwards well. Underwood and Channings being outstanding. The latter sent his right wing going and it looked as though the soldiers were going ahead, but McKelvie darted into the goal mouth and headed the ball out. Gurevitch was playing a splendid game in the Kowloon goal saving time and time again. Once, in order to clear his lines, he had no option than to give away a corner, owing to the harassing methods of the Borderers. The Borderers increased their lead through Harris. Underwood sent his wing man away and the winger slipping past London flashed his centre across the goal-mouth for Harris to nod the ball into the net.

The Borderers were the top-dog throughout the first half, Kowloon having little to say in the matter.

Resuming, Kowloon made tracks for the soldiers' goal, but Mullane stepped in and cleared. However, Ianston forced a corner which was easily cleared. This half was slow and dull, the Borderers indulging in too much individualism. Timberlake and Ianston were the only forwards who tried to make something of a game for Kowloon. The soldiers seemed to regain some of the spirit which was their main feature of the first half, and nearly went ahead, but Martin put paid to a dangerous movement.

Kowloon forced several corners on the left, but nothing came of them. They had a free kick given them right on the soldiers' goal-line, which was easily disposed of. The Borderers' forwards got going on the right, Davies and Harris being prominent, but Jones spoiled the movement by off-side. The Borderers had most of play now and went further ahead through Podmore. Owing to Kowloon's goal being crammed with players, Gurevitch made a splendid effort to save the shot, but only managed to get his fingers to the ball.

Kowloon were doing their utmost to reduce the lead, but Mullane, Morrison and Johnston repelled their attacks. McKelvie sent in a high dropping shot which Johnston had some difficulty in clearing, whilst another movement was spoiled by Timberlake being offside. The soldiers, in the closing stages, were attacking strongly, and forced a couple of corners, but no more goals were forthcoming.

Kowloon: Gurevitch; London and Martin; Hedley, McKelvie and Bliss; Downy, Duncan, Timberlake, Bryant and Ianston.

S.W.B.: Johnson; Mullane and Morrison; Sueter, Channings and Underwood; Harris, Davies, Jones, Podmore and Duncan.

Referee:—L. S. Archer.

NAVY FORWARDS FAIL TO FIND NET.

Argylls ... 1 Navy ... 0

By gaining the verdict by the only goal of the match, scored early in the game, the Argylls were decidedly lucky. Especially in the second half, the Navy forwards almost overran the Argylls' defence, but could not score.

In the opening half the Argylls had the better of exchanges by virtue of their better combination among the forwards, whilst the Navy forwards at the onset appeared strangers to one another and too much individualism prevailed. Both sets of backs had shaky periods, the Navy's on the opening and their opponent's after the interval. Blackburn, in particular, giving away many corners. Clucas played a good game, the shot that sent him coming through a bunch of players, MacFarlane, in the Argylls' goal, was safe up to a point, but he never had anything like Skinner's rasps or Langmead's drives to deal with. The Navy were without these two forwards, and Skirras, also through illness, again prolonged his absence. The Argylls had Yeoman back in the intermediate line and Reid for Christie at outside right, whilst Docherty again filled Henderson's berth at left back.

After the Navy had attacked without result the Argylls scored their winning goal. Hughes lobbed back Reid's pass into the centre for Lamont to hit the ball and send it into the net with Clucas unsighted. This began and ended the scoring, but not the thrills for the spectators. Thrills were in plenty. Robertson's shot, which beat MacFarlane and rebounded from the crossbar, deserved a better fate than to be kicked into touch. When Redgate headed into the goal and MacFarlane turned to get the ball out of the net, only to find Blackburn hooking the ball out round the post with his toe. Navy supporters cheered the unfortunate Navy men. Clucas was lucky, too. After he had run out to stop Hughes's shot, the ball was sent back straight at him, but this was only one slice of luck to the Argylls' half dozen.

Hay, the Argylls' pivot, played a great game, mostly with his head as usual, but his passes to his forwards always found their objective. During the gruelling time the Argylls' defence underwent during the second stanza, Hay and his colleagues worked like Trojans to get the ball away, but without much success.

Yeoman for some time always had the better of encounters with Robertson, whilst Hastie, their erstwhile goal keeper, showed what he could do in the field by keeping Reid well supplied with passes.

There was not much to choose between the Argylls' forwards. They played like a well oiled machine when they got away, with McTavish the master mind. Docherty was the better of the Argylls' backs, relieving Blackburn on many occasions.

The Navy's forwards missed an opportunist at goal scoring. Redgate made too many mistakes, whilst Rawson tried to beat the whole defence on his own when he got going. Stephens played a hard game at centre half, and was responsible for a lot of Robertson's good work. Ward at right back played a good game but not as good as last week against the Civilians. Dixon seems to have struck a bad patch, for although he played well enough up to a point, he never appeared happy in dealing with anything that cropped up in front of him.

Argylls: MacFarlane; Blackburn, Docherty; Hastie, Hay, Yeoman; Reid, McTavish, Wylie, Lamont, and Hughes.

Navy: Clucas; Ward, Dixon; Hobbs, Stephens, Poole; Robertson, Pencker, Redgate, Rawson, and Green.

T. PILE CAUSES HAVOC IN ST. JOSEPH'S RANKS.

Police ... 7 St. Joseph's ... 1

The "Saints" kicked off with any amount of dash and keenness, but before the game was half an hour

old, they had outrun themselves and had to be content with keeping the score down to the narrowest margin possible.

Strengthened by the initial appearance of Downman, the Police played a great combining game and made the best of all chances. The Pile brothers were brilliant, the majority of goals resulting in T. Pile's neat dashes down the line and the resultant centres. Moss proved a forceful leader, always a menace to Souza in the Saints' goal. The half backs, having little to do in the way of defensive work were able to feed their forwards with some accurate passes which caused the downfall of the Saints' goal on no fewer than seven occasions.

With the exception of the first quarter of an hour the Police backs had an easy afternoon and kept well up the field to boot any stray passes that came their way. The Saints opened the scoring through Fernandes, but within a few minutes T. Pile equalised. From this period the Police never looked back and piled on the goals with comparative ease. Before the interval Downman and Shepherd both scored.

Costa, the Saints' pivot, played a great game, but too much work fell on his shoulders and he could not cope with it. Gomes and Dod did all they could at back to keep the Police out, but they were completely overruled and the Police went further ahead through Shepherd, who scored on two further occasions.

Good work by T. Pile enabled Moss to run through and score the sixth goal and Hudson netted their seventh. Toward the end the Saints made a rally but found the Police defence comparatively fresh.

Police:—Fraser; Perkins, Brittain; Thorpe, Channing, Downman; T. Pile, Hudson, Moss, Shepherd, and C. Pile.

St. Joseph's:—Souza; Gomes, Dodd; Castilho, Costa, Holden; Ali, Leonard, Hollywood, Souji, and Fernandes.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Shield Competition—First Round.

Senior Shield.	
Borderers	3 Kowloon
Argylls	1 Navy
Police	7 St. Joseph's
Recreio	1 Club
Junior Shield.	
Police	2 Argylls
Recreio	2 R.A.F.
After extra time.	
League—Division II.	
University	Navy
R.A.O.C.	1 Borderers

GOAL SCORERS.

Senior Shield Competition.	
Shepherd (Police)	3
T. Pile (Police)	1
Downman (Police)	1
Moss (Police)	1
Hudson (Police)	1
Lamont (Argylls)	1
Howe (Club)	1
Segalen (Club)	1
Brown (Recreio)	1
Jones (S.W.B.)	1
Harris (S.W.B.)	1
Podmore (S.W.B.)	1
Fernandes (St. Joseph's)	1
Junior Shield Competition.	
King (Argylls)	3
Alexander (Argylls)	1
Bulmer (R.A.F.—penalties)	2
Santos (R.A.F.)	2
Cornwall (Police)	1
Division II.	
Mathias (S.W.B.)	3
Harris (S.W.B.)	2
Morgan (S.W.B.)	1
Santa (R.A.O.C.)	1

HOWE GIVES CLUB VICTORY.

Club ... 2 Recreio ... 1

At King's Park the Club kicked off, and made an attack on the Recreio goal, but play was transferred to the Club end, and a glorious chance was spoiled by off-side. The Club retaliated and forced a corner, which Marques cleared. The Recreio took the ball into the Club's area and B. Gosano, just missed the mark. The Club were settling down, and another corner was given to them, but proved fruitless. The Club defence was playing a sound game, and spoiled several attacks made by the Recreio. A nice movement by the Recreio was spoiled by a Club defender through "hands."

This proved fruitful for the Recreio, Brown netting from the free kick. The Recreio were playing good football and, attacking strongly, managed to force a corner, which Rodger cleared. The Club equalised through Segalen.

The Club were now playing the better football and Howe, dribbling through on his own shot from an awkward angle, just missing.

Resuming, the Recreio attacked, but found the Club backs stumbling blocks. The Club forwards got going and Howe brought Marques to his knees with a low shot.

At the other end B. Gosano tested Rodger with a hard shot. The Club were awarded a free kick outside the penalty area, but made nothing of it.

The Club managed to go ahead through Howe. The Recreio went all out for an equaliser, and the Club must thank Rodger for starting them off.

Club: Rodger; Gerrard, Strange; Ralston, Skinner, Baldwin; Alexander, Segalen, Howe, Bell and Strange.

Recreio: Marques; Silva-Netto, S. Souza; Victor, Beltrão, Remedios; Sousa, Ward, Gozalo, Pereira, Gosano and Brown.

Referee:—P. O. Cook.

Junior Shield.

ARGYLLS SCORE IN FIRST MINUTE.

Police ... 1 Argylls ... 6

The Police were no match for their fast and well trained opponents and retired well defeated by six goals to one. They put up a plucky fight and, toward the end, their rallies lived up an otherwise dull game. McHardy in the Police goal had a busy afternoon, but saved time and again. The shots that beat him gave him no earthly chance of saving, being too well placed and at too short a range to give him any chance.

Minty, the Police centre half, played a hard game, but his passes to the wings were in vain, there being no danger to the Argylls' goal from either flank. In the centre the inside men were keen, but were always beaten by the more experienced defenders.

The Argylls took the lead in the first minute, King scoring with a penalty goal. A few minutes later the Argylls were two up, Alexander scoring. This ended the scoring until after the interval.

For the Argylls Cannon and Bruce shared honours, the former saving the way for several of the goals that came in the closing half, whilst Bruce was always in position to do the right thing whether in defending or getting his forwards towards the Police goal.

Of the other forwards King was dangerous, but dallied too much in front of goal whilst Maxwell's centres caused much consternation among the Police defenders, with the result that the Argylls were awarded numerous corners. When needed, the Argylls' backs, Grant and Naughton, had little difficulty in quelling any Police disturbance.

A good goal by Alexander put the Argylls further ahead soon after the interval. That player paved the way for the Argylls' fourth, through King. Alexander scored the sixth and King the last of the Argylls' goals, whilst towards the end the Police did break through and Cornwall, with only Porter to beat, shot the ball on to the bar where it rebounded into the net, to give the Police their solitary goal.

Police: McHardy; Baker, Weir; Harris, Minty, Jessop; Fennell, Clark, Cornwall, Wheeler, and Forest.

Argylls: Porter; Grant, Naughton; Stewart, Bruce, Lang, Shearer, Cannon, King, Alexander, and Maxwell.

AIRMEN FAIL TO HOLD ADVANTAGE.

R.A.F. ... 2 Recreio ... 2

At King's Park the Airmen were slightly better than their opponents but had to go all out. Although extra time had to be played, they did not manage to oust the Recreio from the competition and will have to meet again. Poor shooting by the Air Force forwards spoiled their chances and they must consider themselves lucky in forcing a draw.

At full time both sides had scored, the Airmen by a penalty—Bulmer converting—and the Recreio managed to net during a scrimmage. Extra time brought forth a couple of goals, another penalty for the Airmen, Bulmer being the marksman, whilst Santos equalised.

Recreio: McGrann; Lawrence, G. A. n.; Marques, Figueiredo, Guterres; Goncalves, Gomes, Gosano, J. Santos, and F. Santos.

R.A.F.: Ditchburn; Bulmer, Harvey; Read, Brimble, Haworth; Bassett, Reading, Collins, Summers, and Kemish.

Division II.

R.A.O.C. v. S.W.B.

Borderers ... 6 R.A.O.C. ... 1

At Chatham Road. The Borderers were far the superior team and obtained a good lead through their fast forwards. The Borderers' inside trio were responsible for most of the goals, although their fast right winger claimed the "hat-trick." Santa scored for the Ordinance just before the interval and, in the second period, Morgan and Harris (2) increased the Borderers' lead.

R.A.O.C.: Osborne; Emery, Hamer; Craggs; Jackson, Cox; Sansom, Dolan, Farquhar, Santa, and Moran.

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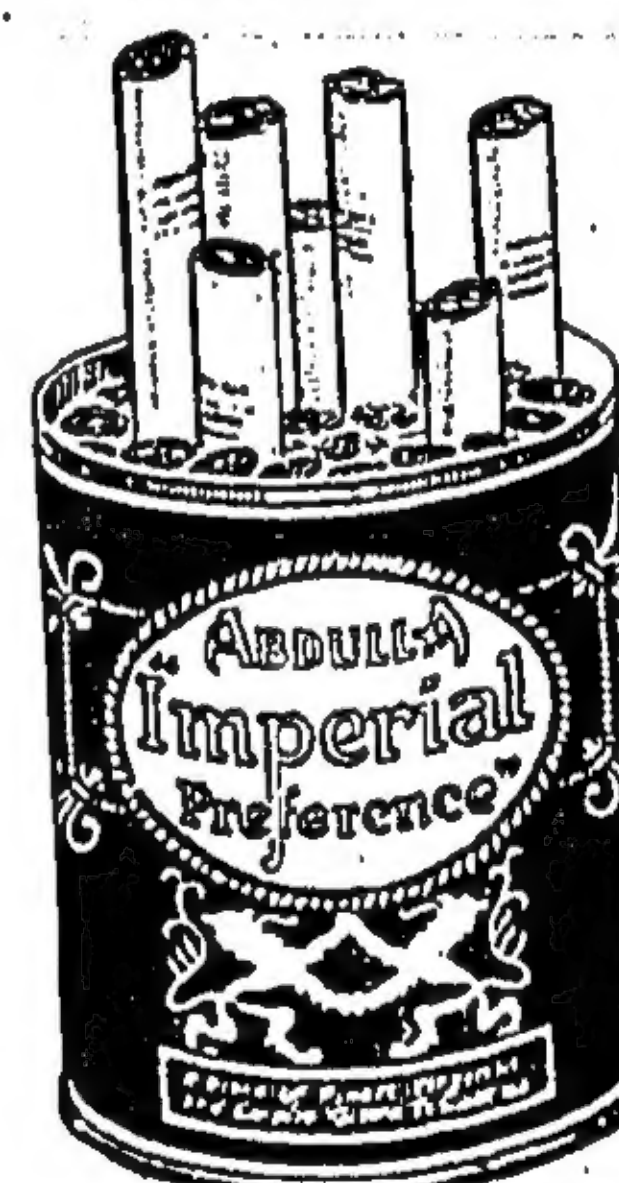
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Army Clothing

Investigations by the military
authorities into the suitability of
the Army's clothing and equip-
ment are still proceeding.

In addition to the recently re-
ported suggestion that Army
greatcoats might in future be
scrapped in favour of an improv-
ed type of cape, the possibility is
being discussed of substituting
some form of canvas gaiter for
puttees. Several Royal Army
Medical Corps authorities support
this proposal, it being claimed
that a suitable gaiter would prove
more weather-proof and be less
trying for long marches.

Commenting on this suggestion,
a military expert declares that the
trouble is not with the puttee as
such, but with its cut. He de-
clares that a properly cut spiral
puttee is unsurpassable for com-
fort and for its weather-proof
qualities, but the trouble comes
when non-spiral puttees are
hastily adjusted.

A Cock Crow

General Denogalis, a Venezuelan,
who commanded a Turkish division
in the world war, in his memoirs
of "A Soldier of Fortune," pub-
lished recently, tells a curious yarn of
how a "cock-a-doodle-doo" ruined
the attack on the Suez Canal in
January, 1915, and possibly cost the
Central Powers victory, as the cap-
ture of the canal would have cut
off England from India and Austral-
ia and caused a revolt in Islam
against the Western Powers. Two
Turkish reservists, when approach-

ing the canal, concealed several
chickens and a rooster in their
saddle-bags. At dawn the rooster
let off a sonorous crow, which
"put the British wise to the Turkish
attack."

General Denogalis also narrates
that after the Turkish evacuation
of Bires Saha the Third Imperial
Lancers were defending the rear
against Allied cavalry. One
squadron of Turks sallied out and
defied the Australian squadron to
mortal combat. The Cross and the
Crescent clashed, and after the
fight only three dozen Australians
and Turks remained standing in
their stirrups. Not a rifle or a
machine-gun was fired until the
survivors retreated to their respec-
tive lines.

The End of the World

Professor Einstein, addressing
scientists, said he had proved
mathematically that this world
began from nothing, and would
reach a certain limit of expansion,
then the process would be rever-
sed, and the world would shrink to
its original nothingness. He ad-
mitted that it seemed impossible,
but offered no solution.

Bandits Surround Town

The "Wild West" days returned
to America as never before in the
robbery of the local State Bank.
A group of bandits in auto-
mobiles surrounded the town
and severed all the telephone
lines. Then they obtained a
supply of wrecking tools and
dynamite from the local railway
repair shops, and blew the bank
building to pieces. They continu-
ed a long drawn out rifle battle
with the bank cashier, who was
in his home a street from the
bank. Eventually they carried the
institution's funds calmly to their
automobiles and fled. Detonation
after detonation shook the town,
and nobody dared to venture into
the streets. Outside aid was un-
available as a result of the sever-
ance of telephonic communication,
and the bandits escaped.

The bank, however, opened for
business in a butcher's shop with
borrowed funds.

Underground Improvements

While new buildings seem to
appear daily in London streets
similar changes are taking place
in the City's underground geo-
graphy. Tube stations are
gradually shifting their positions
or being transformed into veri-
table shopping palaces with spec-
ious halls and sunken streets.
Some stations now in use will soon
be mere "ghosts." With twelve
million pounds raised by under-
ground to finance extensions of
Piccadilly Tube north and west,
new railways are being driven
through clay at a cost of \$85,000 per
mile, stations in central London
being reconstructed to cope with
the increased traffic. The Marble
Arch, Holborn, King's Cross, War-
ren Street, Leicester Square, Hyde
Park Corner, Dover Street and a
bank are the first to be attacked.
Under the Marble Arch is grow-
ing a de luxe station while Dover
Street is being rebuilt under Pic-
cadilly with an entrance outside
the Ritz. Travellers who for
years have chafed at the incon-
venience of having to cross two
streets to change from Holborn
station to the British Museum will
shortly have the difficulty remov-

ed as two stations at least are be-
coming amalgamated.

Japan's Sea Power

The total Japanese budget for
1931-32 is 1,448 million yens. Of
this amount 210,341,000 is for the
Navy, as compared with 263,308,000
yens for 1930-31.

In November, 1930, the cruiser
Maja, of 10,000 tons was launched.
Of the same class, the Tachokai was
launched on April 5, 1931. So that
all the ships of this type which
Japan may have are now on the
water. The older cruisers, armed
with 8-in. guns, are the four units
of the Furukata class, carrying six
guns each. The eight ships follow-
ing are all of 10,000 tons, so that
the total tonnage will be 108,000
tons. The four last large cruisers
are distinguished from the preced-
ing ones by better protection.

The Majestic Wins

The controversy about which is
the largest ship in the world is
now ended.

The United States liner Levia-
than has been officially re-measur-
ed and it is revealed that her dis-
placement has been reduced by
about 10,000 tons, so that her ton-
nage is now not more than 50,000.

She is thus now not only small-
er than the White Star liner
Majestic (56,021 tons), but also
smaller than the Cunard liner
Burengaria (52,226 tons) and the
North German Lloyd liner Bremen
(51,659 tons).

Tonnages of other famous At-
lantic liners are: Aquitania
(Cunard), 45,647; Empress of Bri-
tain (Canadian Pacific), 42,000;
Europa (North German Lloyd),
49,746; Ile de France (Cie Gen-
erale Transatlantique), 43,159.

The Levia-than's reduction in
tonnage is probably due to a de-
sire to save port dues on both
sides of the Atlantic.

The controversy arose owing to
the fact that the United States
employed a different system for
reckoning the tonnage of her
ships, and under this system the
Levia-than was "larger than the
Majestic."

Woman Bites Dog

A woman playfully bit a dog's ear
in a romp with the animal in
Toronto. The dog retaliated by
biting her.

The case came before the courts,
the suit being brought by the wo-
man, not the dog, who, however,
according to the evidence, was not
the first offender, and consequently
would appear to have had some
rights.

So thought the magistrate, for he
ordered the dog, who had been in
"prison," to be released.

No penalties were pronounced
against either offender.

Man for the Part

The rumour that "Spike"
O'Donnell, one of the city's most
formidable "big shots," is going to
London to accept an offer of \$3,000
a week to appear as a gang leader
in a play is confirmed by Police-
Sergeant Edward Hayes. The offi-
cer declares that "Spike's" blind
brother vouches for the story.
O'Donnell was one of the first
gangsters to be marked down as
"public enemies." Sergeant Hayes
says that he rang him up on the
telephone, and that the gang leader
passed the rumour as "O.K.," add-
ing that he would take his wife and
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THE Boss looked up over the top of his glasses.

"Well, Barnes," he said, "what can I do for you?"

Barnes was an undersized little fellow, but a ball of courage. He took the bull by the horns and got to the point without any preliminaries. "I wanted to ask for a raise, sir," he said, boldly.

The Boss wheeled round in his swivel chair, and eyed the little man not unkindly.

"So you want a raise, eh, Barnes?" he inquired. "And what makes you think you're entitled to one?"

"I work pretty hard, sir. Things have been humming in the office the last few weeks, and Carter's away on sick leave—I've been doing his work as well as my own."

The Chief tapped the desk thoughtfully.

Barnes was due for an increase, had, indeed, been recommended for one by his second in command. The Boss knew him to be a glutton for work, though more remarkable for "braven" than for brains.

Now, the Boss was a bit of a wag, and he was minded to treat himself to some slight amusement at the little man's expense.

"Humph! So you want a raise, do you, Barnes?" he repeated. "When did you get your last?"

"Somewhere about this time last year, sir. More than twelve months ago, I think it was."

"Married man, Barnes?"

"Yes, sir."

"Any children?"

"Three, sir."

"Three youngsters! Fine! And you draw at present?"

"\$430, sir. I've been here ten years," suggestively.

"Humph! Not enough!"

Barnes's eyes brightened. This was the stuff!

"Well, Barnes, we like to treat our staff right, and if I find by figuring it out that you deserve more money, you'll certainly get it."

He leaned over the desk and drew towards him paper and pencil.

"Nothing like having it down in black and white. Let's see, now. There are 365 days in the year, are there not, Barnes?"

"Yes, sir," agreed Barnes, looking slightly mystified.

The Chief wrote the figures 335 on the sheet before him.

"And you work, how many hours a day, Barnes?" he enquired.

"Seven forty-five."

"We'll say eight to keep the figuring even. If you work eight hours a day, that's a third of each day, and sixty-five, amounting approximately to one hundred and twenty days in the year. That right, Barnes? Correct me if I'm wrong."

"You're right, sir."

The Chief writes the figures 120.

"Well, now, we're getting along. You have Saturday afternoons and Sundays free, do you not, Barnes?"

"Yes, sir," Barnes assented.

"Fifty Sundays and fifty Saturday afternoons," the Chief murmured. "Seventy-five days in all. That right, Barnes?"

"Yes, sir."

The Boss deducted seventy-five from one hundred and twenty, leaving a total of forty-five.

"Now, what about your annual leave, Barnes?"

"Fortnight, sir," said Barnes weakly.

"Then we have to deduct fourteen more days from our total of forty-five, which leaves thirty-one days in all."

Barnes was now leaning forward, his eyes fixed dazedly upon the figures the Chief had written. He had the air of the spectator who watches a conjurer dissolve, with a few subtle passes of his hands, a substantial body before his very eyes. The Boss was contemplating the figures with a slight frown.

"We seem to be dwindling down, Barnes," he said. "We have here before us thirty-one working days, and if we deduct from these Easter, Christmas and public holidays, it seems to me that we reduce the figures to a mere fraction."

Poor Barnes looked stupefied.

The Chief rose to his feet in well-simulated anger.

"And you have the audacity, Sir, to come to me and ask for an increase in salary on the plea that you are overworked. Good God! man, according to these figures you don't work here at all! Good afternoon!"

Barnes crept miserably out, and the Chief looked after him with a twinkle in his eye.

Several times that afternoon Barnes was surprised in isolated corners figuring feverishly with furrowed brow and puzzled mien; but he was no mathematician, and to save his life he couldn't put his finger on the flaw in the Boss's calculations.

But he got his rise all the same. In spite of the seeming evidence to the contrary, the Chief considered that he deserved it.

SUNDAY SALLIES.

A tennis player recently married an actress.—A 'love' game.

Two golfers are to wed, the cables say.—They're approaching a difficult bunker.

"When the B & S steamer Hanyang was wrapped in slumber"—the inconsiderate pirates "rapped" her.

As a matter of fact, that New Zealand steamer, carrying a cargo of cheese to London, hardly required its arrival to be heralded by a fanfare of trumpets.

"One of the brightest and most cheerful aspects of British industry is a boom in the manufacture of wireless sets and component parts."—The fellow, who wrote that, must be living miles from anybody.

A writer remarks that there is no statue to the British workman.—Has he never seen a bricklayer at work?

"Healthy speculation means investment in shares, not gambling in currency," says a leader writer.—A rise by any other name.

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"A healthy youngster is always on the move," says a doctor.—Our office boy must be in a very poor state of health.

"Wireless is no longer in its infancy."—We believe that, for some sets, especially our neighbour's, hails at nights.

A Shanghai fire engine, on the way to a fire, recently got out of control, and busted itself.—That's the worst of getting all hot and bothered.

In a Singapore court, recently, it was revealed that a wife paid her husband to work.—In most cases, husbands have to work without being paid by their wives.

CONCEPTIONS OF MATTER.

"The New Conceptions of Matter," by C. G. Darwin, M.A., F.R.S., Tall Professor of Natural Philosophy, University of Edinburgh. Illustrated. Price 10s. 6d. net.

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The great difficulty, so far as the layman is concerned, in following the progress of science is attributable to the technique of discovery, which in physics has been usually mathematical. The new discoveries here described were only begun five years ago, and so it is hardly surprising that they are still partly covered with the scaffolding of mathematical formalism, but the time has come when it is possible to free the structure from a good deal of its scaffolding and gain something like a clear view of what the world is really like.

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MURDER MYSTERY.

"None Of My Business," by David Sharp; Benn, 7/6 net.

If you have read "When No Man Pursued"—an amusing book, and "My Particular Murder"—an excellent story—you will be glad of another opportunity to read of the further troubles into which that delightful character, Professor Fielding, becomes involved, because of the ruling vice of his friend Mr. Sheridan Orford.

In this fast moving story, the Professor is obliged to write himself down as "accessory after the fact to a murder." Mr. Sheridan Orford's ruling vice, by the way, is that which is believed to have killed the proverbial cat—Curiosity. Happily Mr. Orford is not killed, though he comes very near being killed; he lives, it is hoped, to involve the Professor in more and more troubles.

A well-written story, with the denouement well concealed.

NEW DICKENS' LETTERS.

The publication for the first time of anything from the pen of Charles Dickens is a literary event. But a special importance and human interest attach to the new letters which appear in the November issue of the Strand Magazine.

They are letters which Dickens wrote to Thomas Beard, his oldest friend. Beard was the companion of his youth—the two men worked together as reporters in the Gallery—and the correspondence extends over forty years. Sir Henry Dickens, K.C., the novelist's son,

has only now given his consent to their publication, and they are introduced to readers of the "Strand" by Mr. Bernard Darwin, whose admirable commentary supplies a connecting thread.

The collection includes the earliest known letter of Dickens, with the exception of one written while he was a schoolboy. It is dated February 4, 1832, and invites Beard to "a friendly quadrille" in celebration of Dickens's birthday. Another letter, of 1834, asks his friend for a loan of £5 for a short time.

The letters now published (to be followed by others in subsequent numbers of the magazine) acquire an additional interest from the facsimile reproduction of many extracts.

For the rest the "Strand" contains the usual budget of high-class fiction and special features. A. E. W. Mason, "Sapper," H. A. Vachell, and May Edington are among those who contribute stories; and Frank Rutter explores a new domain in art criticism with his fascinating article on children's drawings.

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TWO DEAD HEATS RECORDED

Thrills sufficient to satisfy the most exacting race-goer were provided at the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley yesterday. Out of the seven official events, there were two dead heats, Country Club and Sunning sharing honours in the Kilmarnock Handicap, and Evening Star and Fritz dividing the stakes in the Rooty-Hill Handicap for Australian ponies. Dividends were satisfying, the highest being \$181.50, paid out on Sunning.

Sitting Bull, fresh from the North, justified his holiday, by winning the big race of the day, the St. Andrew's Stakes, and in doing so set up a new record for 1½ miles, which should stand for many a long day. The previous time for this distance was 3 min. 05.3/5 secs. by Diana Bay in February, this year. Sitting Bull's time bettered it by 01.2/5 secs.

Elliott Bay created a mild sensation by winning the Inverness Handicap from Boxing Eve, and Good Day sprung a surprise in the last event of the day, although in certain quarters it was not unexpected.

The first race of the day, an unofficial event, witnessed a number of new riders, but experience told, and Mr. E. O. Butler, managed to win on Wise Stag. Frost on The Plover, rode at 180 lb., and was scratch man, hence his anticipated eclipse.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

HORSE	OWNER	JOCKEY	WAGE	PLACE
Wise Stag	Chan Tin-son	E. O. Butler	\$ 27.50	\$ 7.90
Boxing Eve	Newbigging & Gordon	D. L. Newbigging	\$ 6.30	\$ 6.30
Null-Scandus	Dr. S. To Wong	N. L. H. Ralston	\$ 74.50	
Race 2—				
The Tiger	Tester & Abraham	L. G. Frost	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.60
Lobster Bay	E. R.	A. W. da Roza	\$15.00	
Crown Prince	Prince	S. N. Pan	\$18.50	
Race 3—				
Imperial Hall	Wong Lan-kam	S. Y. Liang	\$ 17.10	\$ 7.90
Cloudy Eve	Eve	P. M. L. Soares	\$20.20	
Christmas Belle	Heard	A. W. da Roza	\$ 8.40	
Race 4—				
Sitting Bull	Mrs. Dunbar	B. A. Proulx	\$ 17.40	\$ 8.50
Glencoe	Dunbar	A. L. Caplan	\$ 0.20	
King's Colour	Dynasty	G. U. da Roza	\$29.00	
Race 5—				
Sunning	H. P. Rees	Tung Man-wa	\$181.50	\$17.80
Country Club	Major J. M. Stewart	S. Y. Liang	\$ 20.50	\$10.50
Sunny Day	Chan & Chau	J. E. Noronha	\$10.70	
Race 6—				
Elliott Bay	L. Dunbar	B. A. Proulx	\$ 26.10	\$ 7.10
Boxing Eve	Eve	R. H. Charles	\$ 6.70	
Eros	Wong Lan-kam	A. W. da Roza	\$13.20	
Race 7—				
Fritz	W. T. Stanton	Owner	\$ 36.80	\$35.20
Evening Star	Kong Bros.	S. N. Pan	\$ 11.20	\$14.90
St. Moritz	C. Gordon Mackie	L. G. Frost		
Race 8—				
Good Day	Chan & Chau	G. U. da Roza	\$ 27.70	\$ 7.70
Pi-Fa	Lewis & Tinson	S. Y. Liang	\$ 8.10	
Cream Cracker	Artik	S. N. Pan	\$15.80	

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Chan Tin-son's Wise Stag 140 lb. (Mr. E. O. Butler) 1
Newbigging & Gordon's Nookhall 150 lb. (Mr. D. L. Newbigging) 2
Dr. S. To Wong's Null-Scandus 180 lb. (Mr. N. L. H. Ralston) 3
Also ran:—Armory 160 lb. (Mr. A. Gordon); Glencoe 160 lb. (Mr. H. W. Dullay); Pink Diamond 145 lb. (Mr. H. M. Remedios); Steam-motor 165 lb. (Mr. R. Gordon); The General 170 lb. (Mr. A. J. P. Heard); The Gomeril 150 lb. (Mr. L. G. Allison); The Plover 180 lb. (Mr. L. G. Frost); Fifty-Fifty 148 lb. (Mr. G. P. Funcheson).
Won by 1 length; 5 lengths.
Parimutuel: Winner \$27.50; Places, 1st \$7.90; 2nd \$6.30; 3rd \$74.50.

2.—Glasgow Handicap: One Mile.—For China Ponies "B1" and "B2" Classes.
Tester & Abraham's The Tiger 160 lb. (Mr. Frost) 1
E. R.'s Lobster Bay 145 lb. (Mr. A. W. da Roza) 2
Prince's Crown Prince 140 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3
Also ran:—African Eve 166 lb. (Mr. G. U. da Roza); Ataman 168 lb. (Mr. Harrison); Herodot 162 lb. (Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho); King's Counsel 152 lb. (Mr. Proulx); Marquis Hall 144 lb. (Mr. A. H. Colman); Nippy 160 lb. (Mr. Ip Kiu-ying); Peppercorn 140 lb. (Mr. Y. T. Fung).
Time: 2 mins. 04.4/5 secs.
Won by 1 length; 3 lengths.
Parimutuel: Winner \$9.40; Places, 1st \$6.00; 2nd \$15.00; 3rd \$18.50.

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(Started at 2.25 p.m.)

HORSE	WAGE	PLACE
Norona (J. R. L. Stanton)	3	0
Rolla (A. Rollin)	2	1
Siskin (A. V. Harvey)	1	0
"Diana" (Major Bingham)	1	0
Argulla II. (H. J. Pearce)	5	4
Dorothy (B. Naess)	7	2
Colleen (S. Odland)	4	5
Falcon (C. J. Cooke)	6	3

"B" & "V" Class.

(Started at 2.30 p.m.)

HORSE	WAGE	PLACE
Daphne (Lt.-Col. W. N. Stokes)	3	7
Alisa (Capt. Lochner)	2	8
Josannic (Pay L. Pote)	8	2
Why Wonder (Capt. C. C. Fowkes)	6	4
Wings (Capt. Malone)	7	5
Bluejacket (Mrs. Adams)	5	5
Boojum (G. Pickering)	1	10
Speedwell (Major Stewart)	4	6
Admiral (Comdr. A. H. Walker)	9	1

"G" Class.

(Started at 2.35 p.m.)

HORSE	WAGE	PLACE
Zephyr (G. H. Gandy)	6	2
Lola (R. Grieve)	1	7
Wendy (I. De Villi)	3	4
Emmie (Capt. W. C. Rose)	2	5
Joan (R. M. Jack)	4	3

* Did not finish—Fouled Mark Boat.

HOME RACING.

Result of November Handicap.

WON BY NORTH DRIFT.

London, Yesterday.
The race for the Manchester November Handicap resulted as under:—

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—Reuter.

(Mr. Butler); Heliotrope Leaf 165 lb. (Mr. R. A. Carroll); Sans Souci 148 lb. (Mr. H. A. S. Alves);

Scrapit 154 lb. (Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho); The Turbot 140 lb. (Mr. H. C. Lee); Twilight 140 lb. (Mr. C. C. Tang); White Stars 141 lb. (Mr. G. P. Ferguson).

Time: 1 min. 37.2/5 secs.

* Dead heat.

Won by 1½ lengths.

Parimutuel: Winners \$181.50 and \$25.40; Places, 1st \$71.80 and \$10.50; 3rd \$10.70.

6.—Inverness Handicap: One Mile.—For China Ponies "A1" and "A2" Classes.

L. Dunbar's Elliott Bay 152 lb. (Mr. Proulx) 1

Eve's Boxing Eve 158 lb. (Mr. Charles) 2

Wong Lam-kam's Eros 140 lb. (Mr. A. W. da Roza) 3

Also ran:—Blue Plane 141 lb. (Mr. Bramwell); Cyclamen Bay 155 lb. (Mr. W. T. Stanton); New King 145 lb. (Mr. C. P. Ferguson); Valorous 158 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan); Wonderful Stag 153 lb. (Mr. Frost).

Time: 2 mins. 01.3/5 secs.

Won by 1½ lengths; ½ length.

Parimutuel: Winner \$26.10; Places, 1st \$7.10; 2nd \$5.70; 3rd \$13.20.

7.—Rooty-Hill Handicap: Six Furlongs.—For Australian Ponies which have not won more than \$2,000 in stakes.

Kong Bros.' Evening Star 170 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 1

W. T. Stanton's Fritz 154 lb. (Mr. Stanton) 1*

C. Gordon Mackie's St. Moritz 160 lb. (Mr. Frost) 2

Also ran:—Pegasus 155 lb. (Mr. Caplan); Thunderclap 137 lb. (Mr. Proulx).

Time: 1 min. 20.2/5 secs.

* Dead heat.

Won by 1½ lengths.

Parimutuel: Winners \$36.90 and \$11.20; Places, 1st \$35.20 and \$14.90.

8.—Uddingston Handicap: One Mile.—For China Ponies, "C2" Class.

Chau & Chau's Good Day 155 lb. (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1

Lewis & Tinson's Pi-Fa 154 lb. (Mr. S. Y. Liang) 2

Artik's Cream Cracker 140 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3

Also ran:—Blue Boy 150 lb. (Mr. A. W. da Roza); Blue Heaven 165 lb. (Mr. R. H. Charles); Bronze Eyes (Mr. Ip Kiu-ying); Brunswick Hall 157 lb. (Mr. Caplan); Edenbridge 154 lb. (Mr. Y. T. Fung); Grey Dawn 153 lb. (Mr. Bramwell); Mount Elburz 142 lb. (Mr. Proulx); Shanghai Beau 149 lb. (Mr. Harrison); The Quail 153 lb. (Mr. Frost); Thunderous Stag 165 lb. (Mr. A. R. Botelho).

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Club Fifteen Again Draw with Navy.

HARGRAVE AND RYDER.

The Club repeated their performance of last week by again forcing a draw with the strong Navy fifteen, though on the run of the play they were decidedly fortunate to be holding the lead ten minutes before the final whistle. Both fifteens scored their points in an identical manner, a goal and penalty goal.

To be quite candid I think that St. Andrew's Ball was largely responsible for the listlessness of several players and may even have been the cause of too much kicking to touch without gaining the objective. The latter was a feature of the game, though several good touch kicks were effected.

The absence of G. R. More has affected the Club very seriously and they are now taking every opportunity to find someone to fill his place. Yesterday they tried R. H. D. Wade, but the selectors could hardly have been satisfied with their choice. S. J. H. Fox is essentially a full-back and one cannot tamper with a player's fixed position as they did last Saturday. They are probably now bemoaning the loss of J. J. Ferguson who is now playing for the newly formed Kowloon Rugby Club.

Bunching badly.

Though Selby found Turner with his passes the Club three-quarter line failed to impress though they had numerous opportunities. They bunched together too much and were too fond of running across one another's tracks. The Naval tackling was desperately keen and the Club line found that they gained little ground before one of their players was brought down in possession. Robertson and Griffiths were well looked after though Griffiths made one or two nice cut throughs only to pass too late, except when he gave Wade a certain try if only he had been a little speedier.

Lammert made two spectacular runs but he found his master in Gosling, the Naval full-back. His swerving and speed stood him of no avail. Gosling bent him both times with beautiful tackles. Wade was sound in defence but he is not half fast enough for a wing three-quarter and it would be unjust to attempt a criticism of his play.

Navy Halves Superior.

Selby was excellent when the Club forwards gained possession, but he allowed Francis too much rope and a dangerous Naval three-quarter line was often seen in motion in consequence. The Navy halves were definitely superior to those of the Club and on them rested the fate of the game.

Francis and Ryder showed excellent understanding and the latter's running inside after passing frequently left the Navy wing three-quarter unmarked, providing the ball reached him.

The outstanding three-quarter was Hargrave. His tackling was brilliant and his defensive kicking both accurate and ground-gaining. Ryder lent him stout support and the pair offered the most danger to the Club backs.

Gosling Patchy.

Gosling, who enters local "Rugger" circles with a big home reputation, was patchy. He made one very bad mistake when he misdirected a ball to allow Robertson to score between the posts. He attempted to catch it on the upward bounce but failed miserably. He, however, showed brilliant form on occasion, his touch kicking being exceptionally good and his tackling deadly. Whitham opened well but was not too convincing in the later stages.

Of the forwards McElney, Linton, Hubback and Pizey were the most prominent. The two last named forwards were dangerous wing forwards and caused no end of trouble when the Club were slow in their healing. Linton could have had two scores if only he had held on to the ball instead of punting to touch and forward respectively. Hubback was to the fore in the line out and in the loose scrums. The Club forwards were too individualistic in their movements to call a pack and consequently they were outplayed in the loose.

They gave a very disappointing display and it looks as if some new talent needs to be discovered before the Triangular Tournament matches commence.

McElney shared the honours with Robertson in the first half and with Crick in the second half in hooking, but the riddle row of the Club forwards would not allow the ball out quick enough to secure any definite advantage.

The Scoring.

Offside play by Robertson gave Hargrave the opportunity to open the Naval scoring with

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"STINNIE" MORRIS REGAINS THE TITLE

WARNES WELL BEATEN

SPARKLING FIGHTING TAKES PLACE IN LAST ROUND.

EXCELLENT EVENINGS' SPORT

The Theatre Royal was packed to overflowing last night on the occasion of the Fifty-fifth Tournament held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Boxing Association. Prominent amongst the spectators were H.E. Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E. and the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt., C.M.G.

The big fight of the evening between "Stinnie" Morris and A. B. Warnes was an excellent scrap, the full fifteen rounds being completed without any sort of count. The verdict in favour of Morris surprised many who allowed their feelings to run away with them instead of hiding their chagrin as best they could, but the result was a very fair one, and will probably be largely responsible for the large crowd which will gather to see these two again opposed to one another. Warnes is quite capable enough but his blows do not possess the sting that they sound.

The Hong Kong Boxing Association are to be congratulated on again arranging a splendid programme.

THE BIG FIGHT.

[By "Light-Heavy"]

I was astonished to hear the mixed reception of the verdict of the main fight of the evening—the Welterweight Championship of the Colony. Judging from the points system under which I worked I gave Morris five rounds and Warnes three rounds, the remaining seven rounds suggesting no name.

It was a great battle, ringcraft and experience triumphing over youth and agility. Warnes, however, put up a very plucky exhibition and I eagerly awaited his challenge for a return fight with Morris and it was forthcoming, much to the delight of both his supporters and the audience in general.

When the two men entered the ring they both had tipped the scales at 146 lb. but Morris looked much the heavier build though he could afford to give nothing away in physical fitness, both men being trained to perfection. Mr. A. Murdoch had charge of the fight and very capably carried out his duties though sections of the audience at times did not think so.

Round One.

Warnes soon showed that his speed had helped a long way in sending him into the final of the Amateur Welterweight Championship of England. He had "Stinnie" puzzled time and again with his lightning-like attacks and it was as much as he could do to keep him off with that useful left lead of his. Both drew blood at this early stage with Warnes as the aggressor. Warnes' Round.

Round Two.

Morris successfully lured Warnes into in-fighting at which he is a past-master. Warnes paid the penalty every time, Morris finding the ribs with well-directed blows which in time would begin to tell. Though Warnes' speed helped him in the open it failed miserably in the clinches and as a result Morris

Round Three.

Morris had by now sized up his opponent and immediately waded into the attack. In a bout of open fighting he landed two stinging blows with left and right which left their mark but Warnes retaliated with a left to the head and a right to the ribs. Morris' Round.

Round Four.

The referee entered the ring at the commencement of this round after warning Warnes not to hold in the clinches. As the result of a series of powerful body blows received in the in-fighting into which he was forced Warnes was breathing heavily. An incident on the ropes, when he expected the referee to separate them and received no response, aroused him so that he lashed out and connected with a number of right and left swings to wipe off his deficit in the earlier stages of the round. Even.

Round Five.

Warnes forced the fighting in this round and connected with two beautiful right swings. His speed made him a very elusive target and Morris misjudged distances badly during this round. Warnes' Round.

Round Six.

Trusting to his speed Warnes became a little more daring in this round and got home twice with his left but Morris needed harder punches than he could give to lay him low. Both took heavy punishment. Round Seven.

Morris opened with a powerful right swing which caught Warnes on the side of the head, a left to the jaw sent him reeling against the ropes, but his plucky opponent fought back brilliantly in a hammer-and-tong encounter which was only broken by the bell. Morris' Round.

Round Eight.

Morris again got Warnes on the ropes and with a series of devastating body blows had him in difficulties and he was cautioned for holding. At the end of this round Warnes did not look so good. Morris' Round.

Round Nine.

Both boxers seemed to desire a rest in preparation for the grand finale—the last five rounds. This unconscious truce led to gentle sparring with neither gaining any advantage worth considering. Even.

Round Ten.

Warnes became very aggressive and had Morris on the retreat on two occasions but he did not land without receiving some comeback, his left eye being cut and bleeding freely. The crowd were enjoying the last desperate efforts of a man defeated on points trying to snatch a victory by a knock-out. Warnes' Round.

Round Eleven.

Renewing the role of aggressor Warnes was a little wild with some of his swings and received due consideration for his faults. Morris, however, took as much as he gave. Even.

Round Twelve.

Warnes was again tempted into in-fighting but this time his defence showed great improvement and he did not sustain half the punishment he had done in the earlier rounds. Even.

Round Thirteen.

Morris connected with a nice uppercut, but, following a clinch on the ropes, he was shaken by a left and shortly after another left rocked him but he got home a right which forced Warnes back on to the ropes. Morris' Round.

Round Fourteen.

Warnes, through misjudging the distance for a left lead, received a nasty right to the head but he retaliated with a right swing which caught Morris unawares. His left

lead also scored frequently during this round. Morris' Round.

Round Fifteen.

Both men rose at the going looking as fit as in the first round and looking as if they were not going to chance a points decision. A quiet opening was only the forerunner of one of the best last minutes I have ever seen at any boxing tournament. It was hurricane fighting to say the least with both men going all out for the knock-out. The punishment dealt out and received in that last minute was good value for the whole evening's entertainment. Even Round.

At the conclusion H. E. Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., placed the Belt he had so kindly offered around the winner—"Stinnie" Morris.

It was announced during the evening that the Royal Navy Boxing Finals will be held on Friday, December 4 when all the Naval champions will be on view.

The curtain raiser was a 6-round featherweight contest between A. B. Farrar (H.M.S. Hermes) 123 lb. and A. B. Francis (H.M.S.) Berwick) 124 lb. Referee Mr. H. G. Sheldon.

The first round was in the nature of a "feeler" with Francis appearing to be the faster man and playing a tattoo, on Farrar, but they were all light taps. Farrar opened out in the second and quickly demonstrated that he is a hard hitter. However, no damage was done, and there was yet little to choose between the men. It was all Farrar's fight from the third round to the last. Francis walked into body blows which did not do him any good, and each round found him perceptibly growing weaker. In the third round, he was ready for the K.O., but the gong saved him after he had received a nasty one on the solar plexus. He was very game in the next two rounds however, but succeeded only in landing light taps. In the sixth and last round he was actually the aggressor until he walked into a short right to the jaw which put him out for the full count, which was silent, as the bout was under the I.S.B.A. rules.</

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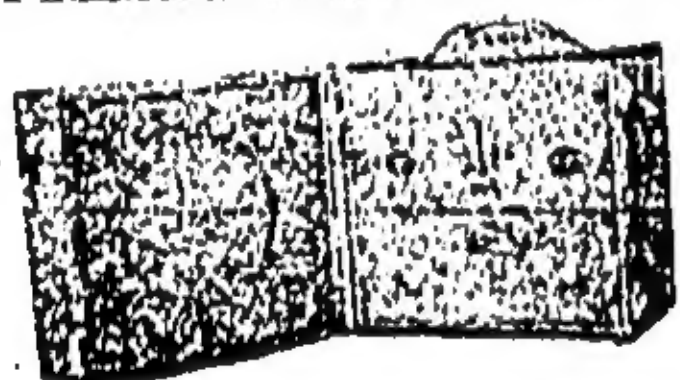
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Russian Police in Crown Colony.

Listening to the Rev. E. C. Tribbeck speaking on the subject of unemployment at Home, one gains the impression that this and state of affairs is the direct result of an intensive and highly specialised industrialism not only in Great Britain but in all other parts of the world as well.

On reflection one finds much truth in this, but unfortunately one can not reconcile industrialism with conditions in Hong Kong. And we must not deceive ourselves into thinking that out here everything is all honey. In this little British Possession, we have our unemployment problem as well, although it may not be so acutely felt.

There are Britons here, able-bodied men, and with a sterling character, daily on the look-out for work. Some of them have been through "it" in France and elsewhere during those few hectic years. They have worn their shoe-leather through and through in search of that elusive billet which would have enabled them to regain their self-respect. Did they get it? No. Was employment lacking? Decidedly not. Work which these unfortunate Britons would have been too glad to accept, were deliberately given to others.

For the nonce, I will not deal with private commercial houses. I will turn to our "Benevolent" Government and see what it has done to alleviate the hard lot of Britons in a British Colony.

The Inspector-General of Police wanted more men to serve in the Force as piracy guards. One would have thought that here was a chance to employ a number of the jobless crew, whose heritage as Britons should have entitled them to first consideration for such a post. But unfortunately sentiments did not come into the ques-

tion. Our Inspector-General of Police took a trip to Shanghai and there recruited a number of Russians to fill the vacancies.

Verily, Sap. But what an anomaly! Russian Police in a British Colony.

Our Funny And Subtle Laws.

Apart from Russian Police, Hong Kong is a most amusing place in which to live. Our legislature has a keen sense of humour.

Not long ago, the Inspector General of Police suddenly took upon himself to amuse the public. Getting rid of a few cumbersome dollars, he caused it to be proclaimed that jolting was banned in that portion of Ice House Street, commonly known as "Brokers' Alley."

According to the notification, every one had to be on the move—something after the manner of the New York "Cops" who would come up to you and ask "Do you play checkers, well, I guess it's your move." But instead of using the truncheon on you, the same notification said that "those who refuse to keep on the move will be prosecuted and liable to a fine and something else according to Section Zero of the Ordinance of 13 13 13."

A regular commotion was caused by this proclamation, and special Police were detailed on duty in that section for the first two or three days to enforce the law.

Within a week the whole matter was forgotten. Brokers are again transacting business in the middle of the street with a total disregard of pedestrians and traffic. The Police are conspicuous by their absence, and the market continues in a steady tone.

Commodity Prices in Hong Kong.

Since the dollar has appreciated in value, many people are grumbling at the prices they have to pay for their requirements. They expect to see prices drop in proportion to the rise of silver. Accusations of every sort have been levelled at shop keepers and agents.

To ascertain whether the public has a just complaint or not, I personally investigated the matter, and the conclusion I have come to is that prices will remain about the same for at least another six months. In one store, I find that there is a stock of provisions to last at least five months. These goods were bought and paid for when the dollar stood at 11½d. In another shop there is a stock of toilet goods which will at least take seven months to clear. These were bought when exchange was hovering around a shilling.

I looked up the invoices of no fewer than fifteen stores and also their stock books, and I am forced to the conclusion that these people can not reduce their prices until their present stocks are sold out and the arrival of new goods intended for when the dollar was at 1/4. [This defence is too thin! As soon as the dollar slumped, retailers raised their prices on goods in stock for several months. Retailers cannot have it both ways all the time!—Ed.]

I Heard It Said.

That a certain European was refused a monthly ticket by the K.C.R. authorities.

That the same gentleman turned the laugh on the K.C.R. by travelling on a monthly ticket made out to "The Yellow Water Buffalo."

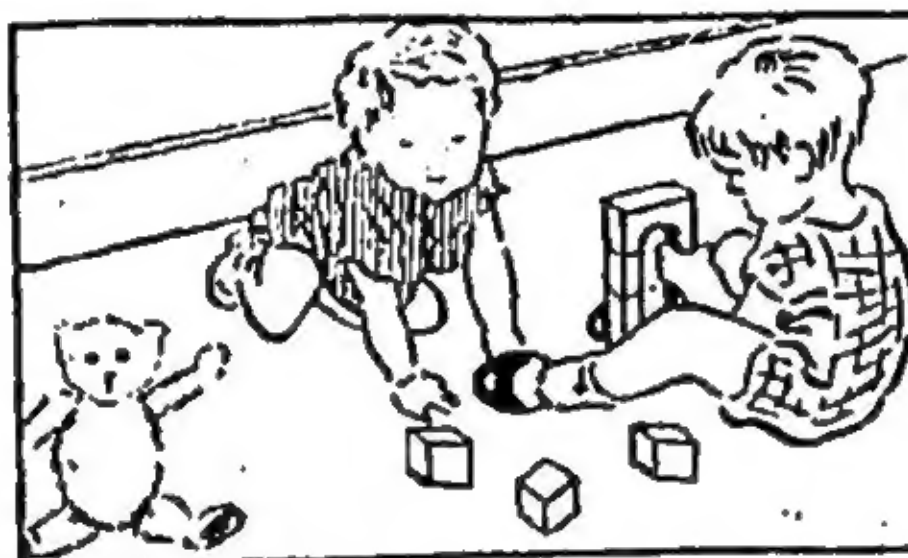
That the local Piece Goods Guild has decided not to accept orders for six months. Hong Kong has over bought.

That in spite of Chinese refusing to buy Japanese goods, Japanese silk and flannelette are still selling well.

That Chinese girls nowadays spend more money on their dresses than their European cousins.

That the cabaret in Macao is attracting many local lads to the Portuguese Colony on week-ends.

—NOTA BENE.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

THE IMPS' ADVENTURE.

They set out to sea in an orange-peel boat, Hoping sincerely that it would float. They took for a sail a poppy leaf pink, And sat close together in case they should sink. They hadn't a rudder, they hadn't an oar, They felt very funny as they left the shore. For imps are accustomed to nice solid ground, And water to them has a very strange sound. "Perhaps we shall find a mountain," said one, "Where we can build houses right out in the sun. Away from those curious, big, prying folk, Who even take spades and in our earth poke."

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"Don't look, it's too dreadful! A dragon's down there! He's walking all backwards, his eyes are a-glare! He has legs by the dozen," gasped poor little imp, For how could he guess it was only a shrimp?

So they turned up the whites of their eyes to the sky, And just at that moment a sea-gull passed by. They thought it the ghost of a frantic sea-horse, So down in the boat they all trembled, of course.

Then whoop; they went up. And whoop! they went down, And all the poor imps just expected to drown. They lifted their heads and saw a great cod, Staring at them murmuring: "How very odd!"

"Stand calm!" cried the bravest, "Our danger is great. But look at him fierce then perhaps he won't wait. Oh, how can we reach that far distant shore? The sea's not for us — let others explore!"

At that moment the cod gave a flap with his tail, And the orange-peel boat, so shallow and frail, Went scudding along on the frill of a wave. "We're done!" cried the imps, "By that rascally knave!"

Then all in a bundle they bumped on the sand. They gurgled, they spluttered, and then tried to stand. Hurrah! they were safe, they were sound, they were free! So they rushed home to tell what they'd seen on the sea!

EARTH TO MARS.

Somehow I had been transferred from the Earth to Mars, and to make matters worse I had a gaping crowd around me. I had the same feelings a monkey would surely have if he suddenly burst into a ballroom. I was expecting some person of authority to come up and rope me off, people would then be able to meet me there instead of the General Post Office.

A person of authority did come at last, and after he had recovered from his astonishment he took me gingerly by the arm and led me to a huge canteen (thirteen eighty-four model), my admirers still following me; however we left them outside the palace, and went in search of the king.

We found him at last in the nursery, he had just finished a strenuous game of marbles with the jester, and he now had a worried look on his face, he was evidently trying to discriminate between a lobster and a centipede, because as we entered he asked my guard "if a lobster

ter wore wings in the winter time, how many cigars would a centipede be forced to smoke if it rained on a hot day." Then he saw me, that settled it.

"Ha, ha!" he roared. "What is it?" and he laughed and laughed all I thought he would burst, and I hoped he would, but at last he recovered sufficiently to send for his professors. When those wise men came along he asked them what I was.

One of them, before going deeply into the matter, expressed his opinion. It sounded something like "Carnish Mustard Plaster."

The professors, however, could not tell the king what I was, so the king, seeing a way to pay his debts, had posters put up all over Mars stating that I was "on view" in the palace. Of course he didn't forget to state the price of admission.

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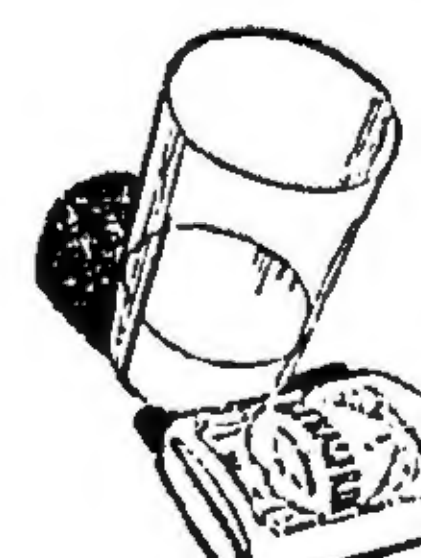


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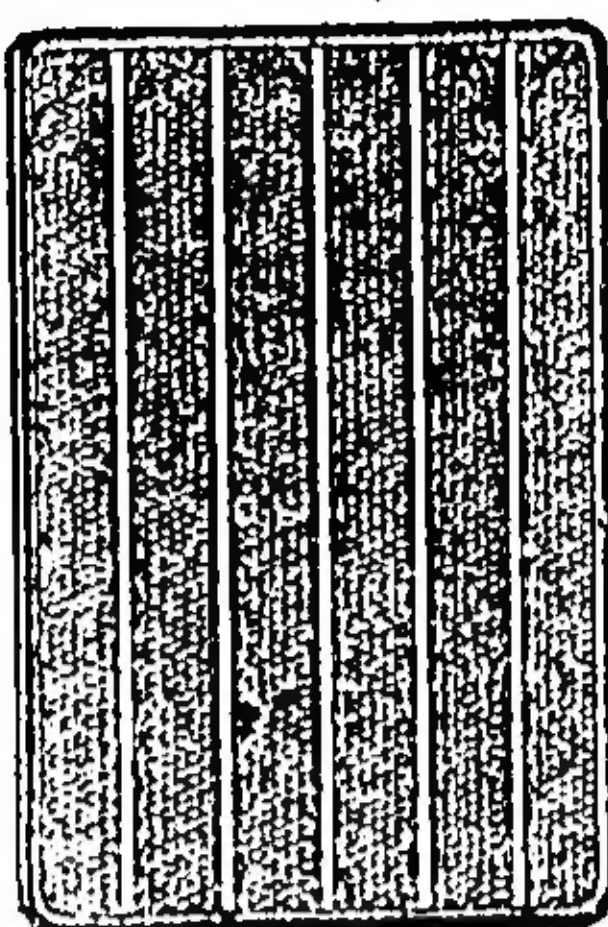
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HONG KONG, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1931.

Festival of St. Andrew.

TOMORROW will actually be the calendar Festival of the Christian and Patron Saint of Scotland; but, for the sake of convenience, Scotsmen and Scotswomen in Hong Kong celebrated the festival on Friday. The celebration, in so far as Hong Kong was concerned, was of particular importance, because it also marked the Jubilee year of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society. That Society is to be congratulated first, on attaining to its Jubilee year; and second, having attained to it without a break. In the words of the Chieftan, Mr. A. Stevenson, "It is also with satisfaction that I have to record the fact that, during the whole of this period, members of the Society have annually celebrated St. Andrew's Day." Perhaps, on reconsideration, the greatest compliment which might be paid to the members of this Society, and the most acceptable congratulation to them, is to ignore, at any rate, remain silent about so great an achievement. For, who has ever come upon a Scot who, once having put a hand to the plough, ever turns back until the furrow has been completed and the land tilled.

Each of the great countries, which go to make up that great institution known as the British Isles, has a Patron Saint of its own. There are, in addition to St. Andrew of Scotland, St. George of Merrie England, who knew how to deal with dragons; St. David of Wales, who was pre-eminent as a Saint of music and song; and last, but by no means least, St. Patrick of Ireland, a Saint of ready wit. Their festival days are observed, but not, so it seems, with the same fervour and elation as has come to be associated with celebrations of the Festival of St. Andrew. Why this should be is a matter for conjecture. The fact, however, remains that it is so, and in itself is a matter of pride to those who well up from the North Land and cover the face of the earth. Has it not been said, and with truth, that in every corner of the earth a Scotsman is to be found. He forms the nucleus around whom things get done — and around whom money is made and circulates. As His Excellency the Governor said, we are indebted to the Scotch for many things; they are the Empire's, and world's, greatest pioneers, and a generous and warmhearted people. This is not exaggerated praise.

Unsympathetic persons, as the Chieftan pointed out, had failed to appreciate what prompted Scots to celebrate as enthusiastically as they do the festival of their Patron Saint; and these persons had been unkind enough to allege that the occasion was made an opportunity to blow own trumpets. While many similar allegations are made in a spirit of banter, others are made because of misunderstanding. And the Chieftan was perfectly right in making plain why Scots made a point of celebrating the festival as they did. His words are worth quoting, especially to-day, when there is the danger of Scotsmen being misunderstood and accused of emphasising national differences. Mr. Stevenson aptly said:

"St. Andrew's Day to the unsympathetic, is the day on which Scotsmen are alleged to sing their own praises; That, however, is not the object of our gathering. We meet together only to give vent to our feelings of affection for the country of our birth and of pride in its history. If to some it would appear that on such an occasion we are apt to laud Scotia's merits to excess, I would ask them to attribute that to excitement caused by the skirl of the pipes and the sight of the Tartan. There is certainly no desire to emphasise national differences. While, however, proud of our own traditions, true love of country is no narrow sentiment. The man who loves his country best is the man most ready to appreciate the national sentiments of others. While we proclaim our patriotism to-night, let it, however, be remembered, that it was Scotland's National Poet, in his noblest mood, who uttered the immortal wish:—

"That man to man the world o'er
Shall brothers be for a' that."

HONG KONG FAIRY STORIES.

The Commanding Officers of certain of H.M. Ships on the China Station have revived an old Anthem entitled "Has anybody here seen Kelly?"

The Prime Minister is urging the Naval Yard Staff to buy McVitie and Price's biscuits.

The Army Authorities employed a famous artist to think out the

colour scheme for the decoration of the R.E. Theatre.

The Hong Kong Football Club is shedding tears over the empty tiers.

The Club is seriously considering paying a coolie 10 cents to recover the ball when it goes up in the Stand behind the goal posts.

Opposing goalkeepers have offered to pay it.

DEATH.

LAU KING-CHO—On November 25, 1931, at his residence, 41, Kennedy Road. Age 47. Funeral will leave his residence at 12 noon to-day and will proceed to the Chinese Permanent Cemetery. The cortege will stop at the Wina Pit Ting in Pokfulam Road to enable the friends and relatives of the deceased to pay their respects.

News in Brief.

Yesterday the lowest open air temperature was 63 degrees. The humidity was 56 at 10 a.m. and 55 at 4 p.m.

Up to yesterday 75.83 inches of rain had fallen from January 1 against an average of 81.86 inches—a deficit of 6.03 inches.

A supplementary dividend of 1/10 per cent, has been declared in the bankruptcy of the Chuen Kee fish stall, Central Market.

A meeting of creditors of the Hong Kong Excavation Pile Driving & Construction Company, Ltd., is to be held in the Official Receiver's Office, Supreme Court, on Wednesday, December 2, at 10.30. It will be followed by a meeting of contributors at 11.30 a.m.

Walking along Victoria Road, above the Cemetery, Lai Tai (54), a partner in the Leung Chung Scaffold builders, was attacked by two men who came upon him from behind. One of the men produced a rope and bound his wrists and ankles, and with his confederate relieved the bound man of \$17, a bunch of keys, and a Police whistle. The robbers made good their escape.

The King's Theatre are having a British film week. "The Chance of a Night-Time" is being shown from to-day to Wednesday; "Bed and Breakfast" on Thursday only; and "A Warm Corner" on Friday and Saturday. It is expected that cinema lovers will support this laudable endeavour to provide entertainment which they have already shown very definitely they want and appreciate.

Personal Pars.

Col. F. Eaves and Mr. R. G. Humphreys left by the s.s. Empress of Canada for Manila.

It is notified in the Gazette that Mr. George William Coysh resumed duty as Deputy Shipping Master on November 19.

The Rev. E. L. Allen, the new pastor of the Union Church, Kowloon, accompanied by Mrs. Allen and child are expected to arrive in the Colony on January 4.

Congratulations were showered on Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Barros, of 2, Caine Road, yesterday, by relatives and friends on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary.

CHRISTMAS NEWS.

Santa Claus En Route to Hong Kong.

Santa Claus—laden with gifts has already left his home in the North Pole and is en route to pay his annual visit to friends in this part of the world. He is eagerly looking forward to seeing his little folk in Hong Kong once again and is so anxious to get here quickly, that for once he will abandon his beloved reindeer at Alaska—where he will take advantage of modern transportation and in all probability proceed on his journey by aeroplane. He has accepted the invitation of Sincere's at whose store he will make his Headquarters, and according to a reliable report he is expected here in the middle of December.

UNANSWERABLE.

The Uses Of A Door.

Dipping into Kennedy Winkler's frank Life of J. Pierpont Morgan, I have rediscovered a "conversation piece" worthy of Dr. Johnson at his best.

"Charles M. Schwab (then newly-appointed president of U.S. Steel) had just returned from a skylarking trip in Europe. The papers had been filled with tales of his exuberant exploits—gambling at Monte Carlo and the like.

"Morgan did not think these episodes consonant with the dignity of Schwab's position and bluntly told him so. Schwab blushed that everything he had done had been done openly and not behind closed doors.

"Hum," remarked Morgan witheringly, "that's what doors are for." "The Economist" in the Financial Times.

TAIPO TOPICS

WALKING.

The Beauties of the New Territories.

(From the United Press War Staff Correspondent at the Front.)

Hong Kong and Kowloon with their wonderful forestry paths are known to possess some of the finest walks in this part of the world, the more outstanding being in the areas known as Wanchai, Shamshui, Kowloon City, and Hollywood Road, and with a view to advertising the New Territories the Clerk to the Tai-po-cum-Fanning Urban District Council laid on the mat the following guide for intending hikers in the New Territories.

Cross the ditch in a hired motor boat—if it will go—and land at Harmston's Circus where one takes train, hauled by a smokeless locomotive, to Shatin, and explore this to one's satisfaction. Many hikers will make a prolonged stay in the vicinity of the Pont de Medecin Plus Loin. If they still feel like hiking after crossing the Pont, there is a nice little walk (about ten yards) to the Residence of the Member for Shatin—Mr. Mark Antony—where a conveyance may be obtained which will put one down within a short distance of the Maun-Shan Iron Mines.

Returning by sampan from the ill-advised attempt to walk to the Iron Mines one lands on the coast below the Tai-po Arms or Castle de

Lodgeance which is one of the few castles still standing in this part of the country and should not be missed by those out for a walk provided they have strength enough to scale the cliffs, because gin is invariably served red hot. It is thrown open to the public for one second in the mornings and half a second in the evenings. (Closing time on Sundays, 10 p.m.)

Moving again down the trail from the Castle one reaches the newly discovered Main Road known as the Avenue d'Habit de Joo where a motor truck may be obtained as far as the Patisserie thence to the Malson occupied by two roughnecks who have the delightful habit of serving up oat hay chaff as a Hors d'Oeuvre, provided their guests are well enough shot away.

Mounting another motor truck one proceeds past the 12 Apostles, finally reaching a gently flowing stream which runs under the bridge at Tai-po Market. From this water is occasionally bailed to extinguish the Garbage Heap Fire, thus creating the Phenomenon "Smoke."

[Editor's Note: "This everlasting question 'Smoke' compels me to apply the closure to this week's contribution.]

MONEY LEFT.

Will of Mr. Charles Makeham.

ESTATE IN COLONY.

Charles Makeham, retired Dairy Superintendent, late of the Dairy Farm, Hong Kong, who died at Strathfield, New South Wales, Australia, on March 22, 1931, left personal estate and effects in the Colony valued at \$1,400. The gross value of the estate outside the Colony is sworn at under \$2,471.

Resolving of probate of the will has been granted by the Supreme Court to Mr. M. H. Turner, solicitor, lawful attorney of the widow, Rachel Makeham, of "Chapstone," Albert Road, Strathfield, N.S.W. who is the sole executrix and beneficiary named in the will.

Probate of the will of Chau Lai-tsun, merchant, who left estate in the Colony valued at \$3,800, has been granted to his widow, Lo Shi, nee in King, who is the sole executrix named in the will.

Testator died at Sheung Ping village, Tungkoon district, on April 15, 1931, and his widow, who was formerly of the village, is now living at 39, Ting Street, second floor.

In his will testator directed that all his properties, business, and shares be "entirely handed over to the executrix for her to manage and control with full power." Power is also given to the executrix to wind-up all businesses founded by testator, or to carry them on, or to increase their capital as she thought fit, and any losses incurred in connection with these businesses will not be her concern.

Advice to Sons.
That it is hard to create an estate and then to maintain it is a statement contained in the will of Mow Lin, an aged fisherman of Stanley, who died there, at 14, Tytam Village, on April 20, 1931.

His estate is valued at \$2,200 and probate of his will has been granted by the Supreme Court to his eldest son, Mow Tam, also a fisherman, of 14, Tytam Village, Stanley, who is the sole executrix named in the will.

PRIZE ANIMALS LOST.

Fire At Prince's Ranch.

Calgary (Alberta), Oct. 22.
A fire to-day at the E. P. Ranch, owned by the Prince of Wales, caused damage estimated at about \$20,000 (\$5,000 at par). The outbreak is attributed to spontaneous combustion.

The hands at the ranch had a hard struggle to keep the flames from spreading to other buildings. The fire raged for twelve hours. Several prize animals were burned to death. They were being prepared for the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto. All the Prince's entries will now be withdrawn.

Besides Balmain Lavatra, which was worth \$1,000, the champion heifer Princeton Lilly (\$600) and the yearling heifer Princeton Jessie (\$600) also succumbed.—Reuter.

EDISON'S FINAL TRIUMPH.

Achieved As He Lay Dying.

Mr. Charles Edison has announced that before his father's death assistants delivered at his bedside samples of vulcanised rubber extracted from the native weed known as golden rod. Thus apparently the great inventor's lengthy attempts to secure home-grown rubber have been brought to a successful conclusion.

Mr. Henry Ford and Mr. Harvey Firestone have confirmed the announcement and will confer with Mr. Charles Edison regarding the industrial possibilities of the process. Mr. Firestone said: "It was a most successful experiment affecting rubber and also many other products."

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HONG KONG AND THE NEW TERRITORIES—No. 37.

Lau-tau Peak.

November is probably the best month in the year in which to climb our local mountains. It is neither too hot nor too cold, and both the water in the mountain streams and in the sea is still warm enough to make bathing enjoyable and yet cold enough to refresh the walker after his exertions. Lau-tau Peak is usually climbed either from Tung Chung on the north side, or from Tai-O on the west, but on Saturday, November 21, a party of us decided to approach it from the south.

By sea past Cheung Chau Island to the large sandy bay occupying more than a third of the southern side of the island. We anchored almost due north of Rocky Islet in the centre of the bay slightly to the east of a valley descending from the pass between Lau-tau's second peak of 2,800 feet and the main peak of 3,065 feet. Here a division was made into two parties—the more and the less energetic, respectively. A small path runs up this valley to the top of the pass and descends to Tung Chung on the north. The energetic party found this path, followed it to the top of the pass and from there up the steep ridge due west to the top of the peak. Very quickly the walkers segregated into most, more, less, and least energetic groups. The two most energetic individuals climbed the mountain in 1 hour 13 minutes, so they told us!

The southern face of the summit is very steep, almost precipitous, but soon splits up into steep narrow ridges and still steeper gullies. The descent was made down two or three of these steep ridges by different members of the party but all finally converged on a small joss-house on a small promontory to the north-west of Rocky Islet.

From the natural history point of view there is little to record; mid

April is the time for the flowering shrubs, Rhododendrons of several species and other genera; but we noticed a few early flowers of *Rhododendron Farrerac* (*Azalea squamata*), pale purple-pink in colour and also a number of those of the shrub *Gordonia anomala*, white with yellow stamens. This plant is closely related to the *Camellia*, of which genus *C. thea* is the tea plant. This small shrub is also now in flower, and I omitted to mention last week that on the lower slopes of Ng-tung-shan was found a number of these plants in bloom.

Perhaps the most interesting sight was observed during the descent when two of us, who were descending a rocky nullah, saw on the trees on the bank above us and flying in the air an immense swarm of butterflies. A guess made at the time and endorsed by my companion was that there were something like 2,000 individuals. By far the majority were a species of *Danais* (my "Kershaw") is lent so I cannot give the species, but there were also a few specimens of *Euploea midanensis* and of *Danais similis*. The attraction was a group of the Ivy tree, *Hoplosternum octophyllum*, in bloom; in England the flowers of the Ivy, *Hedera helix* are a source of attraction to many species of butterfly.

Commensalism. The Concise Oxford Dictionary gives as a meaning for commensalism: "(One) who eats at the same table; (animal, plant) living as another's tenant and sharing its food." Presumably a P.G. is a commensal amongst mankind and he (or she) is well known to us, but in the plant and animal worlds perhaps examples are not familiar to all. A most interesting and unusual example of commensalism was brought before my notice recently, an example which I have never seen cited in zoological literature. A fisherman

brought me a number of living sea-pens; so called because they resemble superbally the old quill-pen, but the Cantonese (not knowing the quill-pen) have called them hol sum or sea-tooth-brush, good though not quite as appropriate a name as the English one.

These sea pens, 9 inches or more long and about 5 inches in width, were coloured pale yellow or yellow grey with or without spots or markings of darker grey. Quite by chance a crab was seen partially protruding from in between two of the lateral flaps of the sea pen and subsequent intensive search showed the presence of 20 or 30 crabs living in association with a dozen or so sea-pens. These small crabs were peculiarly well adapted to their novel environment, not only were they coloured similarly—pale yellow with grey spots, but their second, third, and fourth pairs of thoracic walking legs ended in groups of sharp spines with which they held on most tenaciously to their host. The last pair of thoracic legs was most curious—I have never seen the like before; each was bent sharply at the elbow (to use a metaphor) and the hand was tucked in under the abdomen. This is in itself unusual. As I watched, the limbs were straightened and it was observed that the end of each was like a miniature clothes-brush. The crab now proceeded to brush its legs and back and then its ventral surface most diligently in such a thorough and business-like fashion that I burst out laughing. Would that all P.G.s—human commensals—took such trouble to keep their clothes so clean and tidy!

FREE VACCINATION.

Number vaccinated—free of charge—by members of St. John Ambulance Brigade, up to and including Thursday, November 28—	
Chinese Y.M.C.A. (H'Kong)	1,713
King's College (Old)	1,143
King's College (Present)	5,234
Railway	509
Indian	1,716
Kowloon	1,273
Mongkok	13,632
Shaokwan	945
Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Kowloon)	6,190
Chinese Athletic Association	5,864
Total	30,608

OUR LONDON LETTER.

Christmas Goods.

Now that the election turmoil is over the West-End shops are beginning in earnest to make their display of Christmas goods. Cards and calendars have been in evidence for some time, but we saw the first Christmas stocking in Oxford Street.

The general feeling seems to be that this will be an early season, so far as Christmas is concerned. Women are buying now while prices are still very low, and the London shops with sales and special attractions have been quick to take advantage of the public mood.

Loyal Message.

We are told that the spirit of intense patriotism which is now prevailing throughout the land will be reflected in the greetings chosen for Christmas cards and calendars. In this connection, the widest popular appeal is likely to be made by a gift calendar bearing a reproduction of a fine portrait of the King, and an inspiring message from His Majesty to his people. The portrait is that by Mr. J. A. A. Borrie, the Liverpool artist, which won high praise in this year's Royal Academy Exhibition.

The Royal message reads: "I believe that those who have faith in the future of our nation will not be disappointed and will reap the full reward of their foresight."

Will Girl Win Derby?

Will a young British girl win the Derby? It is not a remote possibility. The young lady in question is Miss Diana Esmond, who has recently taken to racing, and who owns a number of brilliant racehorses in France. She is either a good judge herself, or she is very well advised, for her colours have won great, and even sensational, successes. Her father is well known as an owner in France, and is scarcely less successful than his daughter, while her trainer, Geoffrey Watson, comes from a long line of British trainers.

Miss Esmond is not at all sporty looking. She is handsome, though not tall, quietly dressed, and her favourite recreation is fishing.

In Soho. A friend of ours has been making a tour of the Soho restaurants, as a result of which he remarks that if one lived in this Bohemian area one would gain only a dim idea of hard times. Nearly all the Soho restaurants are under foreign management, mostly French or Italian. They are always crowded, being patronised largely by young British men and women, but it is extremely difficult to get British fare at any of them.

Our friend, who had sampled a South African wine, and declared it to be as good as the French wine of the same name, asked for it at several of these restaurants, but without success. Cannot British produce have a chance here?

Famous Clippers.

There are handicraft shows and handicraft shows, but the annual exhibition at the Drapers' Hall of the work of British craftsmen is in a class apart. Women predominate among the exhibitors of the hand-thrown pottery, the hand-made jewellery, the laces, and the embroideries, but one of the most interesting displays is that of an old Scottish shipwright, who is showing models of famous clippers and sailing ships.

He told us how once he sighted on the Thames a "lovely ship," a Newfoundland trading schooner, that he had sailed on fifty years ago. She was doing coastal work, moving from port to port, her days of glory forgotten. "There was beauty in ships before the coming of steam," he said.

Off to America.

Mr. H. G. Wells will enjoy his trip to America, especially as it is likely to help his new book, in which he will outline his views on the present world crisis and on economic questions generally. He has very definite opinions, and he once said that he did not think there was yet anything approaching what could be called a "science" of economics.

For the last few years, H.G.W. has been very busy, producing voluminous works on every phase of human activity, and his energy is undiminished. He has spent a good deal of time in London lately—some of it with Charlie Chaplin—but he said recently at a musical function, "I miss Arnold Bennett very much when I am in London." They had great times together.

Ossidge.

Ossidge, his strangely named Southgate home, where Sir Thomas Lipton passed away, is a delightful house on the outskirts of London. Here Sir Thomas had gathered together a unique collection of treasures from India, Ceylon, America, and, indeed, all parts of the world. He dispensed hospitality with a warm homeliness that made a visit to Ossidge a thing to be remembered.

When he first occupied it, the surroundings were perfectly rural, but of late years the district has become built over, and with the extension of the Tube to Cockfosters, the country atmosphere is rapidly vanishing. For some years Sir Thomas had as a near neighbour Lord Inverforth whose mansion Arnosgrove, however, has now been converted into the head-office of an electrical undertaking.

HOSPITAL CHARITY.

New Services in Force on December 1.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yeung Wo Hospital, Happy Valley, it was unanimously resolved that the following charitable services shall be instituted on the ground floor of this hospital for the benefit of the poor on December 1.

Free consulting services shall be conducted thrice weekly, viz., on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9 to 11 a.m. A small charge for medicine supplied shall be made; minor operations, dressings, etc., free.

Two wards are allotted for this department, one for male and one for female patients, each with six beds.

A charge of 50 cents per day shall be made for food only. Operations, attendance, medicine, etc., free.

Only surgical cases shall be admitted to these wards.

The date of the opening of the free maternity ward will be announced later.

The Out-Patient Department and the In-Patient Department shall be under the charge of Dr. Li Shu Fan, the Managing Director.

Physicians who wish to refer poor patients for operation, etc., are requested to do so during the Out-Patient hours, viz., on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9 to 11 a.m., excepting cases of emergency.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CRITICISM.

(To the Editor of "Sunday Herald")

Sir,—I read with mixed feelings "Cul Bono's" letter in your last Sunday's edition and wondered if perhaps it was a slight dig at me for the criticism I offered on the eleven players chosen to represent Hong Kong against Shanghai in the annual Interport cricket match.

Why criticism should be so hateful to him I cannot imagine—unless, of course, he is one of the eleven. Even then, I would be unable to excuse him for the lack of sportsmanship which induced him to write, in my opinion, a screed of innocence personified. He writes that "Before we criticize others, we must be able to

examine ourselves, but is that the point? We, ourselves, do not enter the question. Our eyes are focused on the chosen eleven. There is little question of being opinionated as their deeds either stamp them worthy or unworthy of inclusion. It is our aim to tell the public the weaknesses of our leading players instead of allowing them to think in their ignorance that So-and-So was not feeling quite up to the mark. It requires little courage to write a fair criticism and still less to attack that published criticism. But "Cul Bono" may be right when he says that we are living in "a critical age."

Yours, etc.,

EX-INTERPORTER.

Hong Kong, November 26.

PEARL EXHIBITION.

There is a legend that Cleopatra could not think of a more magnificent gesture than to drink wine in which a great pearl had been dissolved and it is said that Cleopatra's amazing beauty was due to this drink, but even in her days pearls were so valuable that it is unlikely that they formed a regular part of her diet. How grateful would she have been to Mr. Kodaka who has bought a string of culture pearls at half the cost of a string of natural pearls.

The culture pearl is made by exactly the same process as the natural or accidental pearl except that the irritant which the oysters cover in layer after layer is introduced by man. At least eight years are required to make a pearl and the slow oyster may take twenty. The difference in price is consequently entirely artificial and may possibly collapse at any time so that the purchase of pearls can be considered as satisfactory in the light of an investment as that of a natural pearl.

Mr. Kodaka, who is exhibiting his annual pearl exhibition at Messrs. Komor & Komor's art rooms, Chater Road, has brought mostly first grade pearls this year. Last Christmas his stock was not sufficiently large to cover the demands made upon it, so if you want pearls do not delay your visit to Komor's. One of the most astonishing things is that many people who know consider culture pearls more beautiful than the true ones.

As usual all are always welcome at Komor's whether they purchase or not, and it is a rare treat to see Mr. Kodaka's pearl exhibition

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Until further notice a hydrographic survey will be carried out within the following area:—

Bounded to the North by Lat. 22° 18' N.

Bounded to the South by Hong Kong Coast line.

Bounded to the East by Long. 114° 04' E.

Bounded to the West by Long. 114° 8' E.

The survey will be conducted in a series of squares whose sides will run N. and S.; E. and W. Sides of squares will be 1,000 feet.

Corners of squares will be marked by sampans flying red flags. Sampans with red flag will also be stationed at intervals along two of the sides.

Shipping is requested to give marks a wide berth.

This notice supercedes that in the Gazette of November 20.

DOGS ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Dogs Ordinance, 1927, is amended by the insertion, next before the proviso at the end of such regulation, of the following addition:—

The owner of any dog which bites any person, or any other dog, at a time when and place at which it is required by this regulation to be either muzzled or on the lead, shall be deemed to have allowed his dog to go abroad neither muzzled nor on lead, to have contravened this regulation notwithstanding any proof that the dog was wearing a muzzle, or was on a lead, at such time.

which will be opened for only a week longer from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Allsopp Beer, Large \$10.20, Small \$6.50 per doz. bots.	
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THE HAWK OF COMO

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GIAN GIACOMO is in love with DOMENICA, who is to be given in marriage to an influential Count. Together with GOLIAH, his companion in exile on an island in Lake Como, he sets about winning the towns on the lake back from the French who are occupying them. Terrific battles follow, victory resting with Gian and Goliah. PAOLO AND GABRIO are twin brothers. The former is in love with GINEVERA, who shows her preference for Paolo.

CHAPTER XV (continued.)

The taking of Musso had been the end of him of all Gian's endeavours. Master of Musso he was a man of note and a power in the land. But it was one thing to have won it by force of arms. To hold it in permanence and of right he must consolidate his position by endorsement of the head of the State.

He put Gabriel in charge of Musso with a sufficient garrison; Giuseppe was left in command of the island, where he could go on piling up munitions for future use; and Ghiberto Borromeo was left at Bellagio. Then Gian set off for Milan with Goliah to make his own terms with the Sforza.

They journeyed by fast eight-oared galley to Bellagio, then across to the island, and on the Leinno, on the Brinzana side, and so by the same route as they had come that first time, when Goliah brought Gian in ward to purge himself of the killing of Enrico Manzoni.

They kept well clear of Como, slept one night at the farm-house at Montorfano, and came on the third day to the little wayside inn at Cusano.

They were sitting outside, eating a frugal meal with a jug of red wine, when a man came galloping up on a horse, both man and horse plastered with sweat and dust.

"A Frenchman," growled Goliah below his breath.

"And in a hurry," said Gian.

"Ho, there!—Wine!—and quick with it!—quick, do you hear?" shouted the traveller roughly, thinking one of them was the host.

For answer they only stared at him, and he flung himself off his horse with an oath.

The landlord, a feeble old fellow with straggling grey hair and a watery eye, came out to serve him, and the Frenchman turned on him the malevolence of his mistake.

"Wine, you old fool!—and water for my horse!—and quick, old lazzarone!" and he emphasised his desire with a kick which sent the old

man sprawling in a heap over his own doorstep.

"Diol—what's all this?" cried the old man's wife, as she came hurrying to the door and sought to lift the fallen one.

"Old fool!—never mind him. Get me wine, quick!" and he caught her by the arm on the side of the head to quicken her wits.

"Here—yout!" cried Gian, as he and Goliah sprang up from their table.

The Frenchman whirled round on them, whipping out his sword. But Goliah had foreseen that, and before it was out of the scabbard his stool crashed down on the Frenchman's head like a thunderbolt.

He collapsed in a crumpled heap on top of the landlord and lay still.

Goliah, after the manner of the times and from force of habit, — to the conqueror the spoils,—took his sword and belt and a leather pouch which was attached to it, saying with zest, "That's a good stool. I doubt if he'll have any further use for these things, or for his horse," and he took it by the bridle and led it round to the back for a drink.

Gian turned the body over, and came to the conclusion that Goliah was right. The head was battered in.

The old man of the inn was coming to. He sat up and looked dazedly at the Frenchman, and then up at Gian and at his wife wringing her hands alongside.

"I think he's dead," said Gian.

"You'd better put him out of sight."

He gave them some money and joined Goliah as he came round from the back with the horse.

"One more to the good," said Goliah, as they trumped along the Milan road.

"And one fewer Frenchman to kill later on. We'll clear them all out in time. Now let's see what we've won."

He linked the bridle over his arm and linking the leather pouch attached to the sword-belt. "Papers!" he said, disgustedly. "Not a crown, not a scudo!—the miserable dog!"

But Gian took the papers and began reading them as he walked. Then he glanced quickly right through them, and then he said hastily, "There are no more."

Goliah. "Halt for a space while I look at them. It's all in French and none too good writing, but I can see . . . it's . . . of consequence."

He sat down by the roadside and studied the papers intently.

"What's it all about?" growled Goliah.

"Movements of the Frenchmen . . . plans for their next campaign. . . . It was a special courier bound to their generalissimo in Milan. . . . So they're in force there yet," — and he read on absently.

He looked up at last with a wild gleam of excitement in his eyes.

"I must get these to Sforza without delay. Where is he, I wonder?"

"Milan will know. . . . He will hardly be there. . . . But they'll tell us. Come along, my Giant, this will help to make our fortunes if we can get hold of Sforza and if he's in a position to act," and they set off again in the highest of spirits.

They stripped the horse of its military gear and took it in turn to ride, and so came into Milan before it was dark.

Until he understood how matters stood, Gian would not go to his own home. They put up at an obscure inn on the outskirts of the town, and after eating, he set off to learn the news.

He looked up one after another of his old cronies, and everywhere received confirmation of what his own observation told him as he went to and fro. France held full sway still and carried herself brusquely and harshly as ever. Every man he spoke to was seething with hatred of the Frenchmen, longing only to be rid of them, and ready to do everything in his power towards that end.

And Sforza was at Trent, one hundred and twenty miles away — waiting for his allies to move; — a depressing state of matters when his allies were more concerned with their own affairs than his.

Very guardedly Gian endeavoured also to get news of Domenico and Astorre Visconti. And all he could learn but deepened his depression.

Barely six months married, Astorre was already tired of his handsome but unwilling bride, and though Domenico's pride held sympathy at long arm's length, it was impossible for the fact not to be whispered among those who knew them.

But from the little Gian could gather, if he had chanced upon Astorre and wrung the life out of him, or run his dagger into his heart.

After full consideration of the various routes, Gian decided to go at once to Sforza at Trent by the lower road — by Brescia and Verona, and up the valley of the Adige.

They went a-foot as before — a couple of peasants busy on their own little affairs.

So Gian and Goliah jogged quietly along the dusty Lombard roads, taking to by-paths round every town they came to, and at Peschiera turned to the north and followed the mule-tracks that wound among the vines and olives by the side of Lake Garda.

By their careful precautions they had so far managed to keep clear of French observation. They were working up towards the head of the Lake and congratulating themselves on being so near the end of their journey, when they fell into an ambush, not of the Frenchmen, but of their own countrymen. A score of burly ruffians materialised suddenly from nowhere, and they found themselves surrounded and called upon to stand and deliver.

Back to back they faced the mob with their swords ready. Goliah glanced searchingly round the ring of dark faces in search of one he might know. Then, finding none, he twisted his long sword and smiled his broadest smile.

"What's all this now?" he asked jovially. "Aren't there enough French gizzards to slit without our trying to slit one another's? What's it you want?"

"You," said their leader. "Out

orders are to seize everyone and everything we can lay our hands on."

"And who gives your orders?" asked Gian.

"The Chief."

"Where is he?"

"Over yonder in the castle — Malcesine."

"All right. Take us to him. We have business with him," and after a consultation among themselves, and since there seemed no viable pickings to be got out of such a tough-looking mob, they agreed to do so. And presently Gian and Goliah found themselves in the ruined courtyard of Charlemagne's old castle of Malcesine.

The Chief, as burly a ruffian as Goliah himself almost, came out to see what his men had picked up, and seemed disappointed at the smallness of their catch.

To him Gian addressed himself at once.

"Is Sforza still at Trent?"

"Who are you?" he said to Gian.

Gian took the measure of him, mind and body, in a full minute's searching look, and decided to trust him. Then he went up to him and said, quietly, but weightily, "See then, Signor, I can trust you. We are from Brescia and Garda — waiting for his allies to move; — a depressing state of matters when his allies were more concerned with their own affairs than his."

"Do, I always thought you a bigger man."

Gian's face reddened under its tawny skin.

"His lack of inches was always a sore point with him," he said inclining his head.

"Big as a big dog," he said inclining his head.

"I am still growing. Twice I have taken Como," he held Bellagio, and I have just taken Musso."

"You have Musso?"

"And all that does with it. And the Brinzana will rise when I lift my hand. How are things with you here?"

"We only await Sforza's lead. The country will spring to him as soon as he says the word."

"Well, good fortune has put into his hands information that will make Sforza bestir himself. I went to Milan after him and learned that he was at Trent. That is why I'm in haste to reach him."

"I'm with you, Signor Medeghino. Rest here with us to-night, and to-morrow I will lead you to the Duke."

So they feasted jovially that night in the ruins of Charlemagne's banquet hall, and Goliah complimented them on their taste in the matter of wine.

And next morning the Chief, with a score of his best men, set off with them for Trent.

They made the head of the Lake, and at Torbole struck east through a mountain pass which brought them into the wide valley of the Adige, and so to the high road leading to Rovereto and Trento.

All that country was, as the Chief had said, entirely Sforza, and there was no necessity for his well-armed company, except the possibility of meeting with other free-lances, and his own desire to make as good a show as possible.

Their long five-and-twenty mile march took them in at last through the Porta d'Italia, and tired as he was and covered with dust, Gian insisted on seeking the Duke at once. Time was of moment in the matter of his news.

The Duke was living, they learned, in the Bishop's chateau of Buon Consiglio, on the eastern outskirts of the town, so thither they tramped just as the dawn broke.

The guards at the gate eyed their motley company askance, but Gian's

peremptory manner impressed them to the point of introducing him to their captain, who was disposed to regard him no more favourably than had his men. But Gian cared nothing for looks or what any man thought of him.

"I come from Milan to see the Duke," he said boldly, "and my business admits of no delay. Will you ask him for an audience at once, Sir Captain?"

"Who are you, Signor, and what is your business?"

"Tell him it is 'Il Medeghino' of The Lario, come straight from Milan with news of import."

"You are 'Il Medeghino' himself?"

"That same."

"We have heard of you. . . . And your news, Signor Medeghino?"

"For the Duke's ear alone and the sooner the better."

The Captain's years had given him some experience of men. In spite of Gian's peasant garb and the dust and stains of his journey, he recognized the commander of men, and saw that he would get no more out of him than he chose to give, and that that was nothing. He nodded and went away.

He returned presently, and beckoned to Gian to follow him. They went up the steps, through the great hall, down long passages, and stopped before a door on which the Captain knocked deferentially, and then opened, and they entered.

CHAPTER XVI.

It was a long narrow room, the end of which was a wide, leaded window looking towards the town.

Near the window was a table strewn with papers, at which sat a man dressed in black velvet doublet and trunk-hose. He turned as Gian entered and eyed him suspiciously.

In the waning light and with his back to it, Gian could get little impression of the face beyond a pair of sombre dark eyes.

His side stood a somewhat older man similarly dressed, but in cloth. His face was long and crafty, his eyes also keen and searching.

Jim Gian knew as Morone, the Duke's right-hand man. Francesco Sforza he knew also by sight but no more. He had had no personal dealings with either of them, and their looks did not impress him favourably.

"You are 'Il Medeghino' from Como?" said Sforza in a thin harsh voice.

"Gian Giacomo Medici, my Lord Duke, at your service. Men do at times call me 'Il Medeghino,' said Gian boldly. And if one corner of the Duke's thin lips twitched suddenly at the incongruity between his appearance and his assurance the shadow in which he sat hid it from Gian.

"You bring us news from Milan?"

"News, my lord, which if promptly acted on may win you your kingdom from France," and he described their capture of the French courier and his dispatches.

"You will see, my lord, that they give a very complete plan of their coming operations," said Sforza, reaching out his hand for the dispatches. "They are quite capable of fabricating plans for the purpose of letting them fall into our hands and misleading us. We will consider them carefully. How are things in The Lario, Signor Medeghino?"

"I hold the most of Como and can raise the rest at any time. We have taken Musso."

The two before him quickened at the word.

"You have Musso?" asked Sforza quickly.

"And so practically the whole Lake. Como I have twice taken but could not venture to hold for lack of men. Lecco I could take at any time. Menaggio and Bellagio we have held all along. The Brinzana only waits my word to rise and sweep out the French."

"You have done well."

"It is only a beginning, my Lord Duke. I can see the way to the ending and yourself set firmly in Milan. Back me up with men and guns and I will undertake to see you clear of France and back in your rightful place in Milan."

The Duke gazed at him. Morone said dryly, "You speak largely Signor."

"I am not a talker, my lord. My deeds speak better than my words. Give me the chance and I'll put all my words—and more—into deeds."

"I believe you would," interjected the Duke, as Morone was about to speak. "Leave these with us, Signor Medici, and hold yourself in readiness to act promptly. Morone, see the Signor properly lodged. Captain Ferrar will accommodate him."

Gian bowed. "I crave one favour, my Lord Duke. I have taken Musso by force of arms. I can hold it against the world. With your consent I would become Lord of Musso and the Tre Pievi."

"You have earned it, Signor. We will see to it," and Gian bowed again and followed Morone out of the room, feeling himself many times the man who entered it.

"Well!" said the Duke, looking up from the dispatches, when Morone rejoined him. "A useful man. Full of ambition; with a great idea of his own future. Yes, we can turn him to account." — and they fell to close study of the documents Gian had brought, and were still at them far into the night.

The Duke sent for Gian early next morning, and he found them just as he had left them, but in a more militant state of mind.

"You have rendered us great service, Signor Medici," said the Duke. "We believe these," laying his hand on the dispatches, "to be genuine, and we have decided to make use of the information at once." We count on your best assistance."

Gian bowed.

"We can raise all the country round Verona and Brescia and Bergamo, and will sweep France out of those places. We count on your doing the same in the Brinzana."

"I can clear them out of Como and Lecco, my lord. Furnish me with proper credentials and the Brinzana will rise like one man."

"That is settled, then. We have decided to send Giovanni Visconti to hold Musso in your absence."

"There is no need for that," jerked Gian hastily, flushing dark red to the neck. "My brother Gabriel and Ghiberto Borromeo can hold it safely. For the very suggestion of in any way losing his hold of Musso now that he had got it was a shock to him. And for Visconti to lord it there in his place filled him with wrath. The very name of Visconti made him grind his teeth with rage."

"You can do for us in Brinzana and Como and Lecco what Visconti could not attempt," said the Duke suavely. "The other is only temporary. You will need your brother and Borromeo in the field and every other help you can get. It is no easy matter to which

we are setting ourselves. Every available fighting-man will be needed. We can count on Visconti doing just as he is told. But, as you know, he has been crippled in the wars and is past active service."

"And afterwards?" asked Gian, through his teeth.

"When we are rid of France you shall have Musso, Signor Morone will prepare your papers and give you all details of our plans," said the Duke, "and the sooner we strike, the better."

Gian bowed again, stiff of face, but somewhat sick at heart, and went out.

"It is not to his taste," said the Duke, with a touch of misgiving in his voice.

"He wants Musso," said Morone. "But he'll be more useful elsewhere. And afterwards — if it suits us, he can have his Musso. If not, it's always easy to get rid of him. The promise of it will keep him staunch."

And the Duke nodded. It was the way things were done in these days, — promises made, to be kept or not as suited bent, — and lives of very small account.

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By "Dominie."

(Special to the Sunday Herald.)

It has been truly said that education is the backbone of every civilised country. The evolution of this splendid system of training the moral and intellectual faculties of mankind has been the result of a long process of development, extending over many centuries, and the thanks of the world are due to the Greeks and Romans.

Education to-day is penetrating into the remotest part of the world. Here in this distant outpost of the British Empire, education has made for itself a foundation of which Great Britain may well be proud.

In presenting this article to your readers, I have first of all to thank Mr. G. P. de Martin, the present Director of Education, for the kind assistance he has given me. All available data was placed at my disposal, and I can only hope that my pen is worthy of the great privilege accorded me.

Pioneers of Education.
The Island of Hong Kong, as we all know, was ceded to Great Britain in 1841. From the first day of its cession Hong Kong could not complain that its educational wants were unheeded. Like so many of our institutions, the growth of education cannot clearly be understood without going back to those pioneers to whom

we owe so much that they must always hold a prominent place in our thoughts.

Turning back the pages of history, we find that the Church of England, the Roman Catholics and the Nonconformists were already at work when Sir Henry Pottinger assumed the Governorship of Hong Kong (1841-1844). But it was to the late Rev. Dr. J. Legge that this Colony is largely indebted for the progress made in its educational field.

Morrison School Founded.

Dr. Legge founded the Morrison School shortly after the Union Jack was hoisted over this Island. He subsequently became famous throughout China for his edition of the Classics. At about the same time the Colonial Chaplain, the Rev. V. Stanton, founded St. Paul's College as a training centre for native clergy. After many vicissitudes this College still exists as a school for boys.

It will be of interest to note that in these early days, the Government of Hong Kong was frankly accepting the part of proselytiser. We have it on record that when Sir John Davis took over from Sir Henry Pottinger in 1844, he wrote to the Bishop of Victoria, "If these schools were eventually placed in the hands of native Christian teachers bred up

by the Protestant missionaries, it would afford the most rational prospect of converting the native population of the Island." And during his tenure of office (1844-1848) this policy was steadily pursued. A small grant of only \$5 a month was then given to ten small schools. A Committee of Education was also formed to control the grants.

European Public School.
In the meanwhile more enterprising Britons had come to trade in Hong Kong; some of whom brought their families with them. They, however, found that there was no schooling facility for their children. Nothing daunted, a public school was started by the European community in 1850. The St. Andrew's College came into existence, but it survived only seven years, apparently having fulfilled its useful service.

As an instance of the harmony then existing it may be mentioned, in passing, that boys of no fewer than ten nationalities had received their education in this school.

State Religion Opposed.

Meanwhile a change of opinion had been gaining ground. Dr. Legge was opposed to every form of State religion; and when in 1859 he became predominant in the councils of education, he led a successful movement to modify the existing policy of the Government.

Education entered into its second period in 1860, under the new Governor, Sir Hercules Robinson. In that year Dr. Legge acted as Chairman of the Committee, now called Board of Education. He merged certain of the small Government schools into a Central School, which, under the name of Queen's College, is to-day the most important school in Hong Kong. The first headmaster was Dr. Stewart, who was also Inspector of Schools to the Board.

Legge's Revolution Completed.
With the abolition of the Board of Education in 1865, Dr. Legge's revolution was completed. The Education Department was now no longer under the direction of the Bishop of Victoria. It became a civil department under the Inspector of Schools, who was in turn directly responsible to the Government.

For four years nothing of importance took place in the educational history of the Colony, and in 1870 the Diocesan School and Orphanage for Boys came into existence. It at once became popular with the sons of Eurasian families, as it still is at the present day.

Catholic Advance.
Leaving the Government and Protestant missionary schools aside for the moment, we find that the Roman Catholic bodies have also been making rapid strides in the educational field. The Catholic Bishop then was Monsignor Raimondi. He was a keen educationalist, and under his influence the Catholic schools had by 1871 increased to thirteen in number with over 600 pupils, half of whom were girls. The West Point Reformatory was one of these schools. At this period, it will be interesting to note, the Protestant missionary schools could show an attendance of only 100 children.

The reason probably was that during all these years and till 1871 no financial support of any importance was given to Missionary Schools. Apparently they charged no fees; and thus Hong Kong was in this happy position that a very large part of its educational responsibilities was borne by charitably disposed persons.

Surprising Condition of Grant.
An important event occurred in 1872. The first grant was offered to Christian schools on condition that no religious instruction was allowed during four consecutive working hours each day. Surprising as it may seem, this condition was accepted, and, added by the grant, the Protestant schools increased from four to eleven between 1872 and 1876. In direct contrast to this, the record shows that the Catholic schools continued to flourish unaided till the year 1877. St. Joseph's College was founded in 1875. The second period came to a close in 1877.

In retrospect, it would seem that in the first period the Government rivalled the missionaries in the race to christianise the community by means of education. In the second, it confined itself to secular instruction. It neither supported the missions nor associated with them, except on the clear understanding that money paid for education should not and could not be used for proselytising.

Harmonious Co-operation.
The years 1879 to 1900 saw the history of education entering into its third stage. An amended Grant Code was issued in 1879 which stipulated that Codo subjects should be taught for four hours daily. How and when religious instructions should be given were left to the schools concerned. Thenceforward Government, Protestant, and Catholic Schools worked harmoniously side by side.

Dr. Eltel was appointed Inspector of Schools in 1879. He held the popular laissez-faire views of his day, and the record tells us that he was opposed to State schools where avoidable. In the one year 1893 eleven Government schools were closed on the ground that they had been rendered unnecessary by new Grant schools.

Queen's College Breaks Away.
When Dr. Wright became headmaster of Queen's College, he found he could not agree with Dr. Eltel. They held different views, with the result that Queen's College was made independent of the Inspector of Schools. Thus education became a thing of divided councils for many years, and, according to Mr. E. A. Irving, a former Director of Education, though the system no longer exists some of its evil effects are hardly obliterated.

During the last two decades the quickening process throughout the Empire has been very active in Hong Kong. The idea of founding a University in Hong Kong was by no means new. During the Governorship of Sir F. Lugard (1907-1912) the liberality of the late Sir Hume Macdonald applied a building, and public interest was deeply stirred. Funds were collected locally and from Chinese abroad, and the University materialised from a dream to a reality in 1911.

Education Ordinance Passed.
The Education Ordinance, a bold piece of legislation, was passed in 1913, and with it, compulsory inspection of all schools in the Colony became a law.

In 1930 no fewer than 1,024 schools came under the control of the Education Department. Of these twenty are provided schools. The cost of their equipment and maintenance is a charge on the Colonial revenues.

1913-1930 Enrolments.
The following figures showing the total enrolment in all Government, Grant, and private schools and Technical Institute from 1913 to 1930 are of interest:

Year	English Vernacular	Schools	Schools
1913	6,442	12,989	
1914	7,462	11,919	
1915	7,764	12,092	
1916	7,873	13,280	
1917	8,474	15,461	
1918	8,962	16,582	
1919	9,145	16,641	
1920	9,702	18,915	
1921	11,672	23,610	
1922	13,730	25,484	
1923	13,442	29,010	
1924	14,980	32,953	
1925	16,153	28,922	
1926	16,218	27,136	
1927	11,867	37,244	
1928	13,691	42,610	
1929	14,923	43,322	
1930	17,561	45,436	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

August 1931.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Excess of Assets over Liabilities on July 31, 1931: \$10,581,398.28
Revenue from August 1 to 31, 1931: 2,680,798.08
Expenditure from August 1 to 31, 1931: 2,223,068.40
Balance: \$11,339,109.96

The assets and liabilities on August 31, 1931:

Assets.
Deposits:—
Contractors' and Officers' Deposits: \$608,240.81
Sutlers' Fund: 588,367.00
Miscellaneous Deposits: 891,404.50
House Service Account: 11,337.86
Postal Agencies: 3,597.02
Suspense Account: 900,628.63
Exchange Adjustment: 1,110,918.98
Trade Loan Reserve: 391,183.45
Praya East Reclamation: 151,446.77
Coal Account: 8,930.62
Total Liabilities: \$5,491,173.50

Excess of Assets over Liabilities: \$11,339,109.96
Total: \$16,930,283.46

Advances.
On account of Future Loan: \$2,814,600.33
Purchase of three Locomotives for Chinese Section, Kowloon-Canton Railway: 448,601.22
Miscellaneous: 120,284.66
Building Loans: 1,054,995.74
Imprest Account: 44,130.64
Subsidiary Coins: 1,450,488.13
Investments:—
Surplus Funds: 1,715,849.70
Crown Agents Remittance: 55,074.64
Trade Loan Outstanding: 1,847,029.76
Unallocated Stores (P.V.D.): 613,493.01
Unallocated Stores (K.C.R.): 146,308.97
Lorry Haulage Account: 12,470.77
Cash:—
Treasurer: 2,001,750.87
Crown Agents: 11,827.91
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HONG KONG, NOV. 29, 1931.

THE FORD DEMAND

Directors Make Fine Recommendation.

HOME MARKET SHOWS AN INCREASE OF 26 PER CENT.

High Rate Misleading.

The Austin Motor Co. enjoyed such a demand for its products in the year ended June 30 that the directors are recommending a dividend at the rate of 100 per cent. upon the ordinary capital.

It is stated that sales of cars in the home market were 26 per cent. above those of the previous year. The dividend paid for the previous period was 60 per cent. actual for seven months.

The high rate of dividend is a trifle misleading, for the ordinary capital is very small in relation to total capital, being only £150,000 out of £3,650,000 of share and debenture capital. The ordinary capital was originally £600,000, but 16s. per share was written off in 1927, and the 100 per cent. dividend is equivalent to 25 per cent. on the original sum.

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ANOTHER NARROW ESCAPE FOR EARL HOWE.

Shoots Down Fofty Feet Embankment.

COW EPISODE.

Earl Howe, president of the R.R.D.C., has had another remarkable escape. This time he was on his way to see the Schneider Trophy in his Alfa-Romeo, when it skidded, and he shot down a forty feet embankment. The car was considerably damaged, but the driver escaped unhurt.

This crash follows closely upon Earl Howe's "T.T." accident, when, chasing Campari down Bradshaw's lane, he shot off the road backwards at 80 m.p.h. The car leapt a hedge and landed on its four wheels!

At Le Mans this year, during practice, he was flat out down the two-mile-long straight, when he met a wandering cow in his path. He shot under the cow's head with nothing to spare!

NEW SPEED RECORDS FOR 750 C.C. ENGINE.

BRITISH VICTORY.

Super-Charged Austin Seven's Triumph.

In the competition of engine design, the side-valve motor has regained the championship once more in the "Baby" Class II 750 c.c. category. It is also a British victory, as Mrs. Gwendolyn Stewart, wife of Colonel Stewart, drove the record making super-charged Austin Seven on the Montlhery track near Paris, averaging 109.13 miles an hour for five kilometres, 109.06 m.p.h. for five miles, 109.05 m.p.h. for ten kilometres, and 108.95 m.p.h. for ten miles. These speeds are the highest ever made by a car with a 750 c.c. engine and constitute new international Class II world records. The Austin Motor Co. and Mrs. Stewart are to be congratulated on putting up such a marvellous performance with so small a motor-car.

FROM RIO TO COLOMBIA ON A B.M.W.

AMBITIOUS TRIP.

German Journalist To Make The Attempt.

A German journalist, Mr. Fred Kreutzenstein, is planning an ambitious trip from Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) to Montreal, in Canada. His means of transport will be a B.M.W. motor-cycle, and he will take a Mr. Hellmut Hoffman as pillion passenger.

They will begin by going to Buenos Aires, in the Argentine, and will then make for the Pacific coast, by way of Chile and Peru, to Ecuador and Colombia. A short sea journey may have to be included en route. The travellers will then pass through the Central American republics on their way to the States and Canada. Mr. Kreutzenstein is now completing his arrangements and hopes to undertake the tour within the next few months.

FOUR-STROKE ENGINES FOR 1932 MOTOR-CYCLES.

New 150 c.c. Models Within 15/- Tax Class.

MIDLAND COMPETITION.

It seems certain that the Motor-Cycle Show will contain quite a number of new 150 c.c. models, which will, of course, come within the 15s. tax class. Some of these will have four-stroke engines. Experiments with such machines have been made by more than one large factory.

The makers of the J.A.P. engine, too, will be making a four-stroke 150. It is a side-valve engine with a detachable head and is a newcomer to the lengthy list of engines marketed by the Tottenham concern, which will continue in production next season with detail changes only.

A new two-stroke unit, to come within the 15s. tax class, may be expected from a Midland factory that has not hitherto undertaken the building of engines, while rumours of similar developments in other directions are rife in Coventry and Birmingham.

THE "ROAD LOG."

Latest Fittings for Car Owners' Comfort.

SMALL METAL CASE CONTAINING ALL INFORMATION.

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Fittings for comfort is one of the main features of the Motor Show. It is gadgets that motorists have to provide on their cars which teach the motor manufacturer the standard of comfort which self-respecting owners and users expect. The latest item is the "road log." Women as well as men will insist in future years on this useful fitting being supplied in the equipment. It consists of a small metal case with a band which can clip to the rim of any steering wheel. From it one can pull out, as on a roller blind, the route card, shopping list, addresses, etc., without needing to stop to search the pockets for that necessary paper one loses so often or mislays.

JOWETT CLIMBS HIGHEST POINT IN EUROPE.

"The Little Engine With A Big Pull."

PETROL AVERAGES 37.7 m.p.g.

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The petrol consumption, averaged over the entire tour, was at the rate of 37.7 m.p.g. and the brakes had to be adjusted only once in spite of the great amount of work they had to do in the descent of the Alpine Passes. The story of the trip denies in unmeasured terms the popular belief that British cars are unsuitable for the stiffest continental touring. The Jowett, with its 907 c.c. two-cylinder engine, is the lowest-taxed car on the market, being rated at only 7 h.p. (£7 tax).

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FIAT CARS FOR POLAND.

An agreement has been signed, says a report, between the Polish State-owned engineering works and the Fiat Motor Co., arranging for Fiat cars to be manufactured locally, with a view to unifying the type of car produced and to supplying cars to the army. It is intended to grant far-reaching protection to the new production, which will be considered national.

THE MOST COSMOPOLITAN MOTOR CITY

Three Years' Experience in Shanghai.

THE BUICK LEADS THE REGISTRATIONS.

164 Different Makes.

[An interview with Capt. James E. Snow.]

Los Angeles, Cal.

Capt. James E. Snow, of the Marine Corps, who has just returned to duty at the Marine Corps rifle range near La Jolla, on the road to Tia Juana and Agua Caliente in Old Mexico, has discovered the most cosmopolitan automobile city in the world. It is Shanghai, where for three years Capt. Snow, or Big Jim, as he is known to his friends, was Provost Marshal of the foreign settlement. Being Provost Marshal in Shanghai is a job like chief of traffic police in any big city.

164 Varieties.

While attending to those duties Capt. Snow made a study of the number of makes of cars, as well as the number of cars registered. The result could probably not be duplicated anywhere else in the world. Out of a total of 5,006 automobiles

registered, Capt. Snow found no less than 164 different makes—a greater variety of automobile names than the average person could guess existed.

Buick Leads the Way.

"Buick led the registrations," said Capt. Snow, "with 646 cars, or 11½ per cent. of the total. The ten leading makes represented 20 per cent. Of these ten leaders, two are of foreign make and the remaining 164 makes each has registered from 1 to 100. One hundred and fifty makes have less than a hundred.

Owned by All.

"Every nationality under the sun is represented in the ownership of Buicks. One may see a native Chinaman being driven around the

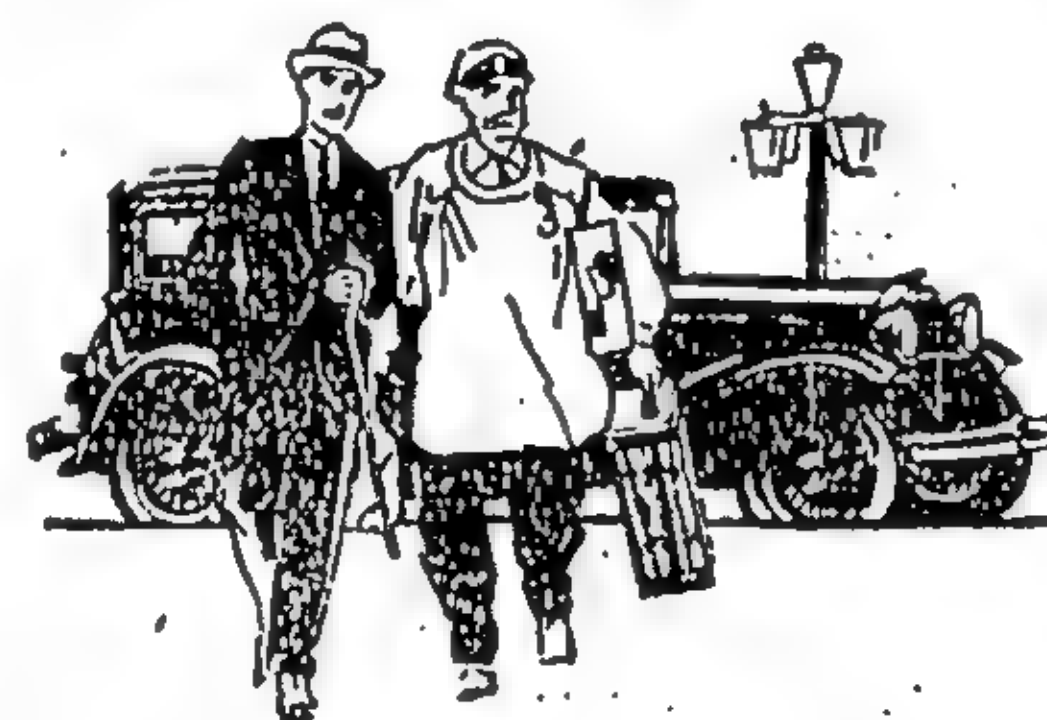
narrow streets of Shanghai as well as an Afghan potentate in the latest model Buick limousine. Buicks of undetermined vintage, but still going strong, serenely wind their way among the crooked thoroughfares of the native section of the city."

The Rankings.

"In contrast to the familiar name Buick, are the names of over a hundred cars which the average person has not even heard of. I had the names and the numbers registered of all these cars printed in the Shanghai Municipal Gazette. Here are the rankings of the most important:

Buick, 646; Ford, 482; Chevrolet, 375; Fiat, 317; Studebaker, 316; Morris-C, 286; Austin, 243; Dodge, 215; Nash, 213; Essex, 193; M-Oxford, 185; Citroen, 178; Whip-

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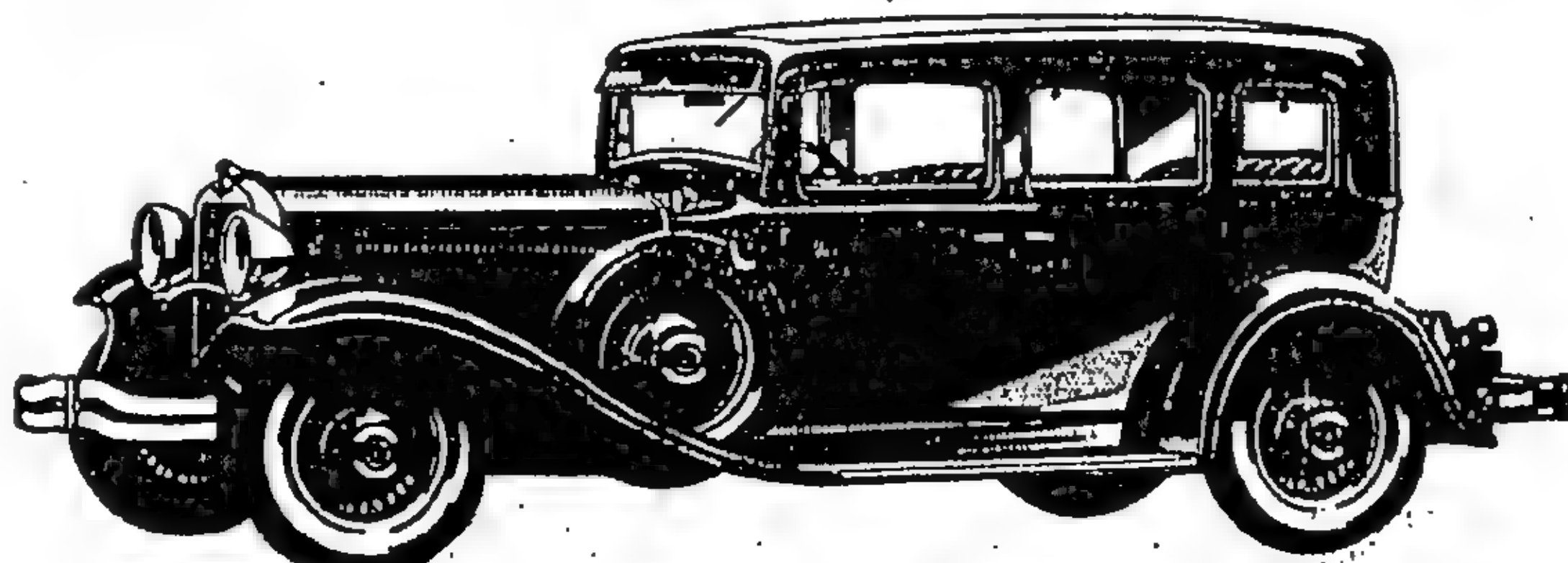


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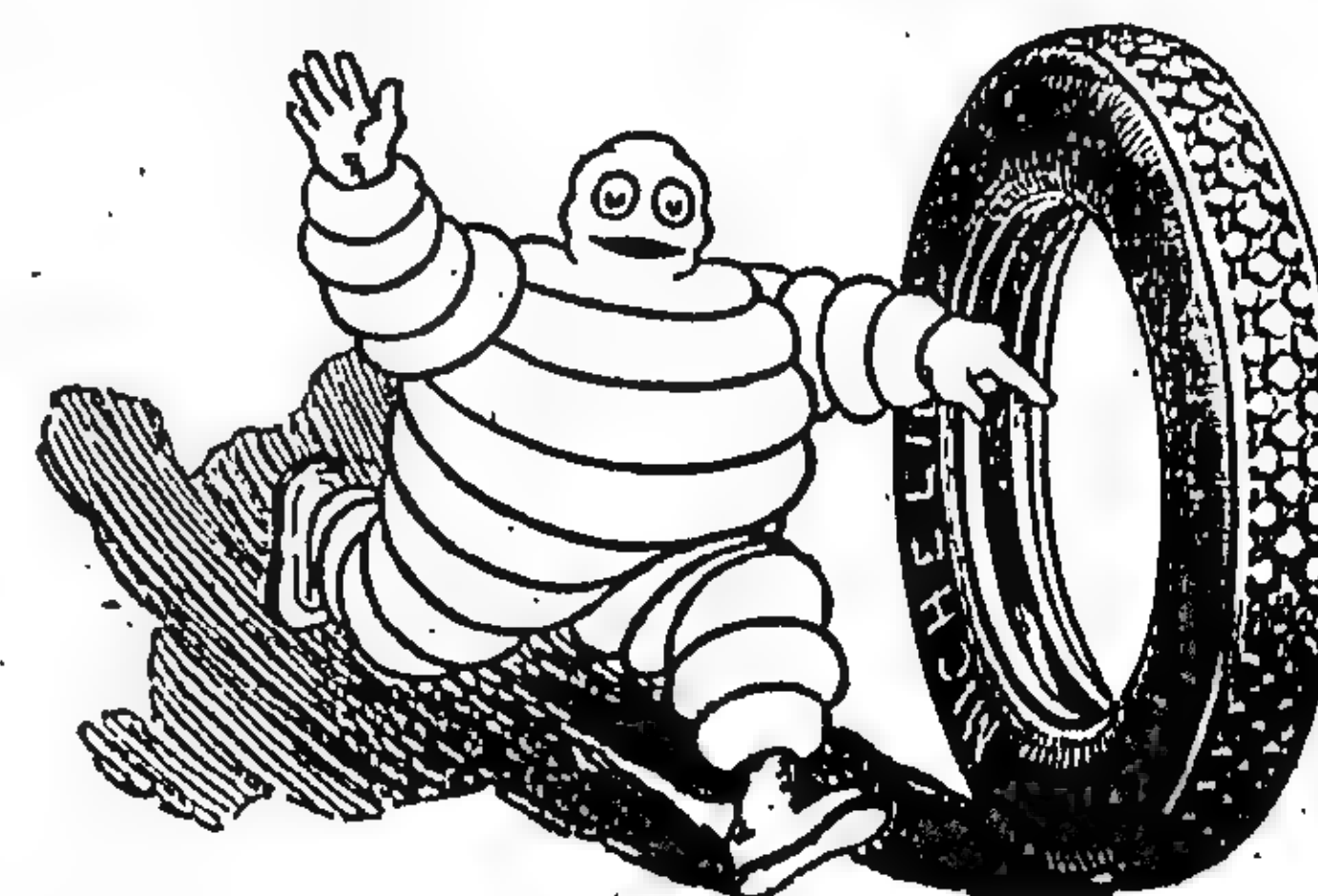
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MARKED FALLING OFF IN DEMAND FOR EXPENSIVE CARS

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THE NEW WOLSELEY HORNET SALOON AND THE ROVER COMPANY'S ENTERPRISE.

The severe trade depression of the past twelve months has affected the motor industry rather less than the majority of others, but nevertheless has been sufficiently serious to result in the closing down of more than one works of world-wide repute. As might have been anticipated, there has been a marked falling-off in the demand for the more expensive cars, but this has been practically balanced by the increased sale of the cheaper models. The two leading firms who enter for the latter market have, in fact, both increased their home sales by over 25 per cent. as compared with last year. From the report of the Ministry of Transport covering the ten months ending in July last, it appears that 129,551 new cars were registered in Great Britain, representing a drop of only 4.4 per cent. on the total for the corresponding previous period. The falling in the sales of relatively high-powered models is reflected in the car imports, which only totalled 1,790 for the ten months under consideration, the figure including both complete private cars and chassis. The preference for smaller vehicles has led to the introduction of a number of new models in this class by both British and Continental firms, and there can be little doubt that this movement, which although not initiated in this country, was successfully developed by British firms, is likely to spread all over the world as roads are improved. Such a development could hardly fail to be greatly to our advantage.

THE CHEVROLET. Motor Car Speeds Through Water.

Rough roads and steep hills offer no obstacles to modern automobiles and now the problem of crossing water is in a fair way of being solved, according to despatches from Germany.

Emil Gross, a young mechanic who lives in Berlin, has evolved an idea which may convert the motor car into an amphibious vehicle. He has demonstrated that with the special equipment he has constructed, an automobile can be converted into a seagoing hack in fifteen minutes.

At a recent test in Germany, a Chevrolet touring car was used for the experiment. Gross won applause from the crowds of spectators who saw him drive his Chevrolet through the water almost as easily as a motor-boat.

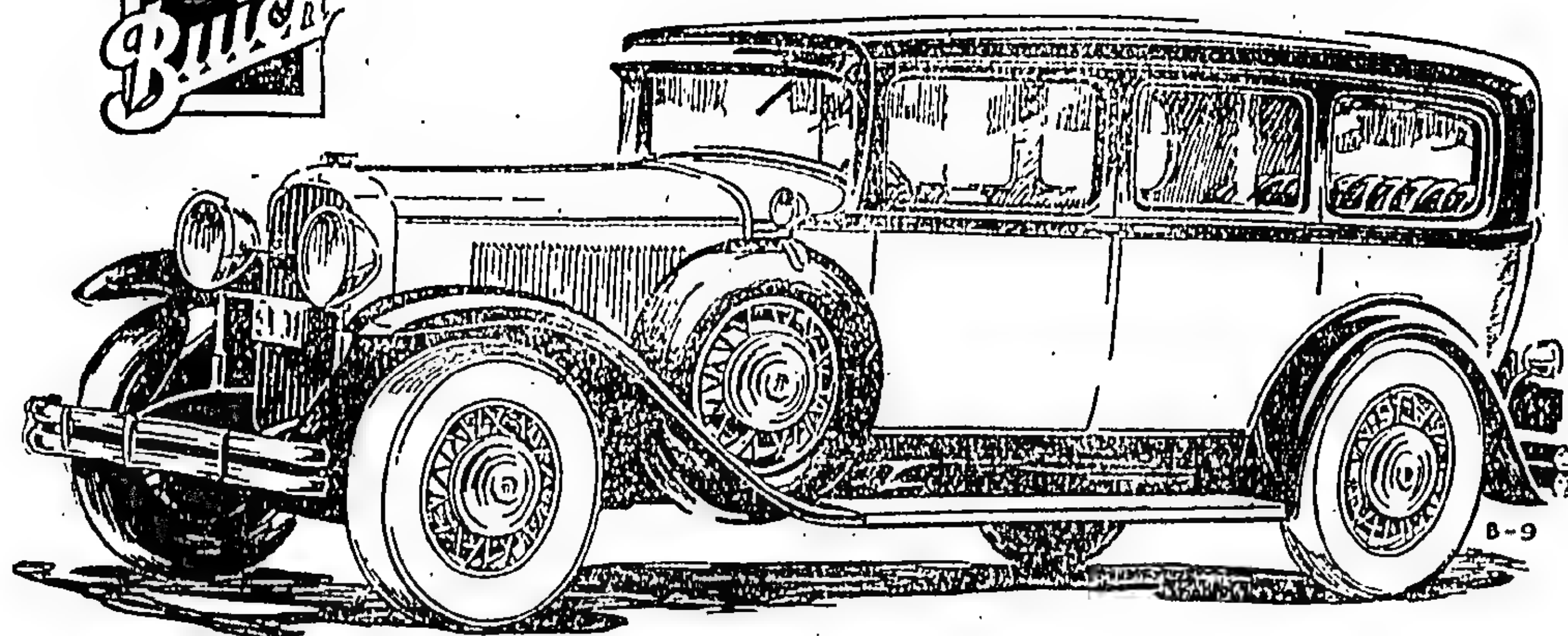
An inflated cushion at the front and one at the rear of the car and two inflated pontoons, one on each side of the body, were utilised to keep the vehicle afloat. The car was driven exactly the same as on land.

Morris models, which although equipped with an engine rated at only 8 h.p., is fitted with a saloon body with really comfortable accommodation for four persons. The wheel has thus come full circle. Four or five-seater cars were available with engines of about the same rating, but we doubt whether the modern motorist would be satisfied with either the speed capabilities or the reliability of the prototypes. The new Wolseley Hornet saloon model may be taken as typical of the luxurious car in miniature. The engine in this case is rated at 12 h.p., but the performance of the car is quite comparable with that of much larger models. The car is fitted with a four-speed gear box having a silent-third drive, and will hold the road well at over 60 m.p.h. The engine has been brought well forward over the front axle, which not only gives more body space, but improves the riding of the car on bad roads.

Rover Enterprise.

Turning to larger cars it may be said that, in general, few striking departures from conventional design have been made since the last exhibition. On that occasion, we expressed the opinion that the proposals then current to alter the position of the engine, and to break away from conventional frame construction, were unlikely appreciably to influence design. It was pointed out in our article, however, that the rear position for the engine offered certain advantages in the case of small cars, and it is interesting to note that the Rover Company are putting a new model on the market with a twin-cylinder air-cooled engine in this position. The car is also quite exceptional in that it is priced at £35. All four wheels are independently sprung, a practice which has undoubtedly much to commend it, and which is making slow but steady progress. As regards tendencies in more orthodox design, it may be noted that the six-cylinder engine is fully retaining its popularity, over 50 per cent. of the cars on the British market being fitted with such engines. Four-cylinder engines are still widely used in the smaller models, however, and account for 20 per cent. of the total. Eight-cylinder engines are fitted to a further 20 per cent. of the cars on the British market, the remaining 10 per cent. being divided between 2, 12 and 16-cylinder models.—Engineering.

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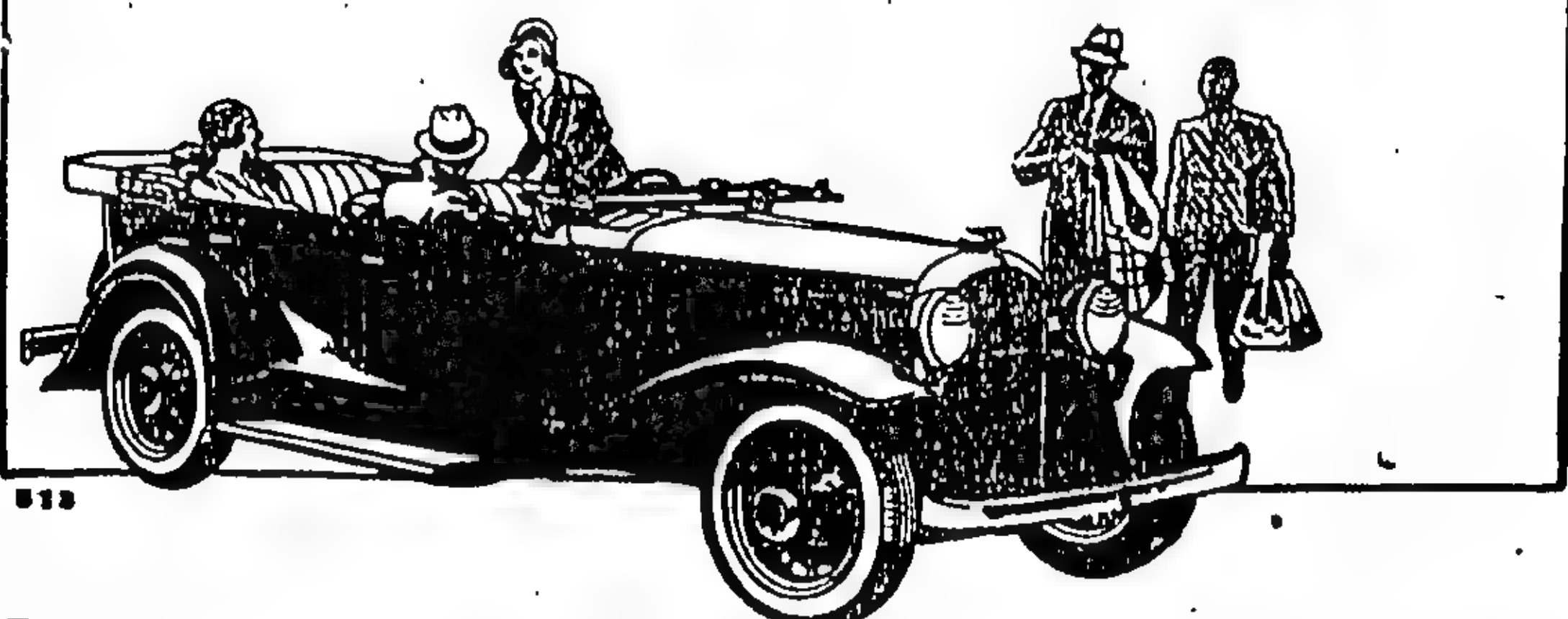
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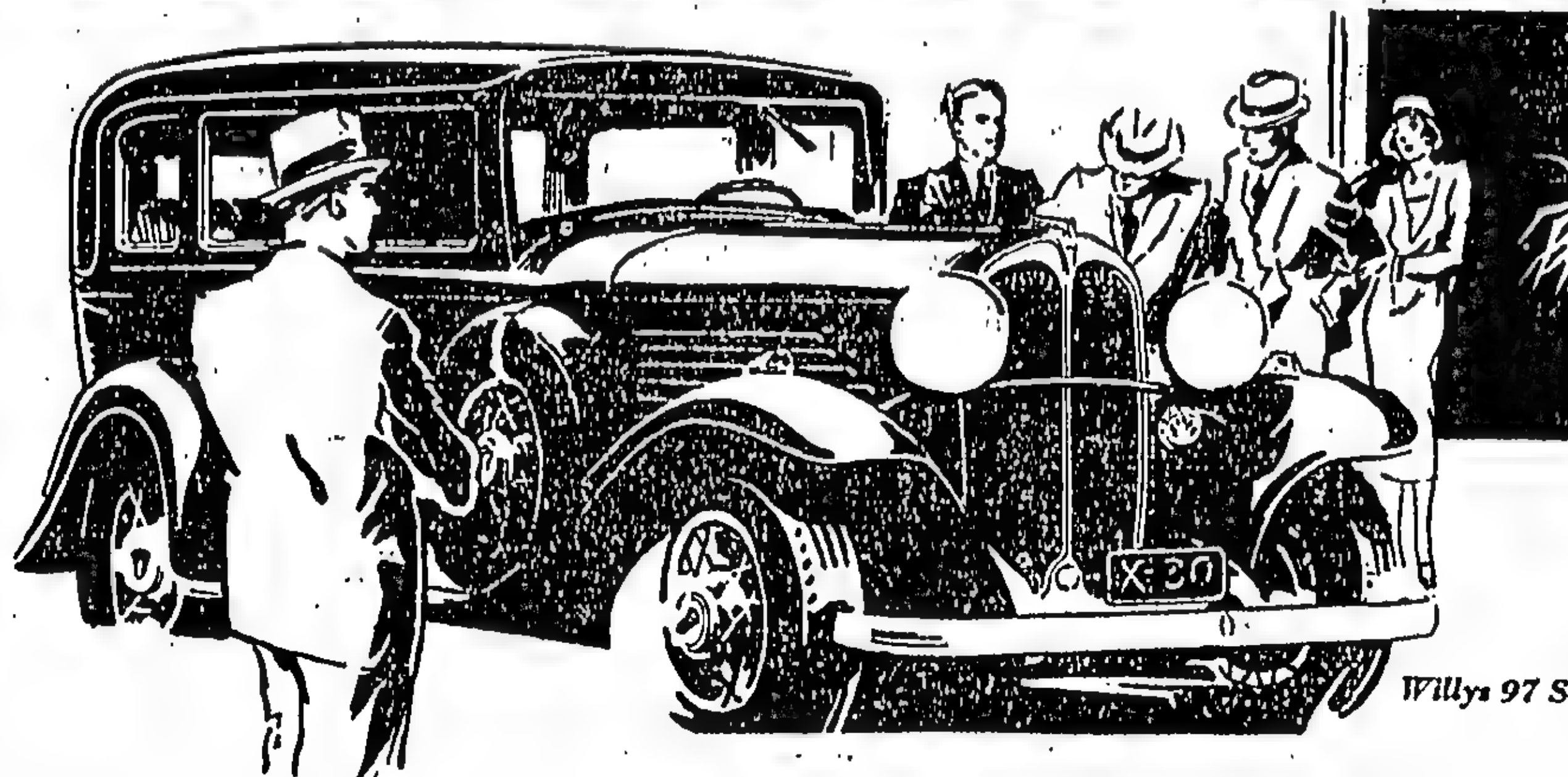
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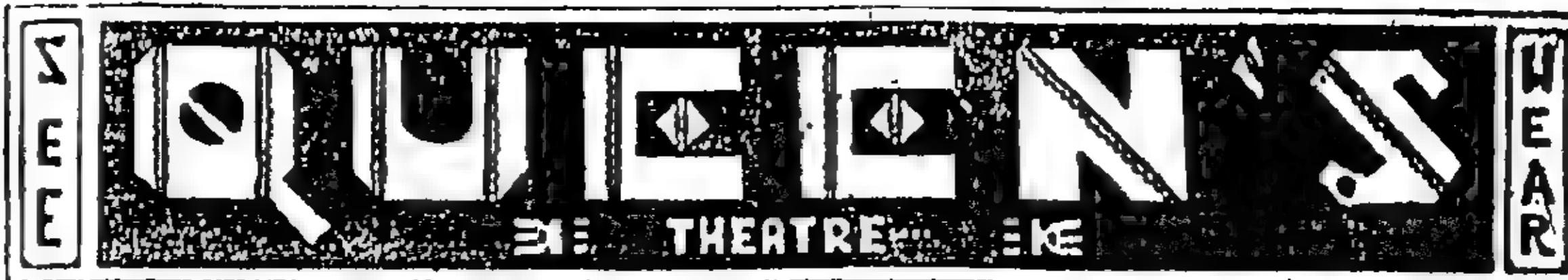


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Jeannette Vaubernier sells hats and dreams of love. When she dreams of love it is always associated with riches, prestige, power and fashion. In the little Paris millinery shop she longs for jewels and silks, carriages and palaces.

On a certain day she meets Cosse de Brissac, a private in the King's Guard. Cosse's father, Duc de Brissac is Captain of the Guard.

Love at first sight is the result of the meeting and Cosse visits the millinery store daily, buying hats as a pretext for seeing her.

Jean Du Barry, a dissipated gentleman of fortune, is seeking feminine bait to lure the players at Madame La Gourdan's luxurious gambling salon, the most notorious in Paris. He contrives to get Jeannette into the place, as a habitue, appealing to her vanity and her love of luxury. The trick succeeds but far from finding happiness, Jeannette grieves over Cosse's contempt for her.

Finally Cosse overcomes his anger and begs her to leave the place and marry him. She is overjoyed and makes preparations to go away to begin life anew when the king arrives, King Louis XV, who has seen her at the opera and fallen victim to her charms.

He offers her the wealth of France, the people at her feet, a place beside the very throne. It is too much for her to resist. Again, Cosse is left waiting—disillusioned!

In order that Jeannette may be accepted at court she marries Jean Du Barry's brother, an impoverished nobleman, and becomes a Comtesse. Her husband, in name only, is given money to leave the country. Ensnared in power and unbelievable luxury, she finds once again that gold will not buy love. She thinks only of Cosse, and the king's jealousy is aroused. Cosse mysteriously disappears, sent to a dungeon in an island prison.

Cosse escapes from prison. He succeeds in gaining entrance to the palace, seeking to kill the king. Soldiers wound him and he finds his way into Jeannette's boudoir. Fearing his life she hides him in her bed.

The king enters, with Duc de Brissac, Cosse's father and soldiers. The father is forced to give up his own son as a traitor when he finds him hidden in the bed.

The king insists that the fete will go on as scheduled and that Jeannette will be forced to watch the execution of her lover.

During the gorgeous fete she makes one last effort to save Cosse's life. She reviles him in the presence of the king and guests, pretending to laugh at his impudence in thinking she could care for him. But Cosse sees through her pretence and now, sure of her love, takes her in his arms. Angriely the king orders the execution to proceed.

As he stands before a firing squad, Jeannette in a panic rushes to the palace gates and lets in the infuriated mob of revolutionists. They save Cosse. A furious battle rages between the starving citizens and the soldiers. The aristocrats flee or are slain.

But because Jeannette has squandered the people's money and is indirectly responsible for their plight, she is sentenced to the guillotine. Cosse pleads for her life but the blood-mad revolutionists refuse mercy. Seeing that it is futile, Cosse takes the revolutionary symbol from his hat, throws it to the ground and tramples on it. The revolutionists immediately condemn him to die with her.

As they face the guillotine, arms around each other, they know that nothing can ever separate them again, that their lives may be taken away, but that they will have their love forever.

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"THE BAT WHISPERS"
STORY.

Police are guarding the skyscraper apartment of the millionaire gem collector, Gideon Bell. The latter has received a note from "The Bat," mysterious arch-criminal who has been looting and playing with such cunning that the entire city is in terror.

"The Bat" strikes just as he predicted. On the stroke of midnight, despite police vigilance, Bell is strangled and robbed.

The next night "The Bat" climbs to the roof of the Oakdale Bank. He is about to lower himself by a rope through the skylight when he sees that another looter is before him. He watches the man take \$500,000 in currency from the vault, stuff it into a satchel, and speed away in an automobile.

"The Bat" pursues the robber to the premises of the Courtleigh Fleming estate where he sees him disappear in the shrubbery.

Fleming, president of the bank, has leased his mansion to Mrs. Van Gorder, a wealthy woman, who resides there with her niece, Dale, her servant, Lizzie and a quizzical old dog, her caretaker.

Dale and Brooks have knowledge that the mansion contains a secret room. They suspect that the bank's money is hidden there. Richard Fleming, nephew of the banker, arrives on the scene and finds the blue-prints showing the location of the secret room. He refuses to give it up.

Dale gets her aunt's revolver and threatens him, but at this moment a mysterious figure appears at the stairway and fires, killing young Fleming.

Dale has torn half the blueprint from young Fleming's fingers. She hides it.

Meanwhile a detective has arrived from the city. He introduces himself as Detective Anderson on the trail of "The Bat." The detective hired over the telephone also arrives. He is Detective Jones, a rural type, utterly incompetent.

Detective Anderson suspects that Dale has murdered young Fleming but Mrs. Van Gorder prevents him from arresting her until an inquest has been held and a warrant obtained.

Lizzie, the servant, sets an old bear trap in the yard. In this way she hopes to trap "The Bat."

Dale accidentally finds the secret room in the attic by touching a spring that opens a fireplace.

A mysterious figure in a gray coat crosses the roof. Dale, with a candle, sees "The Bat" trying to open the safe in the secret room. She screams and he dashes toward her. Just then the gray coated figure comes into the room through a hidden panel, opens the safe and takes out a satchel containing the bank's money. "The Bat" turns from Dale and grapples with the man. "The Bat" fires and kills him.

Dale gets out of the secret room and tells her experiences. Detective Anderson suddenly appears and confronts Dr. Venreux. He accuses him of having attempted to kill him. He locks the doctor in a closet and then goes to investigate the hidden room.

He tells them to leave the satchel on the table, turn out the lights and wait. They obey him and in a moment "The Bat" skims in through a window. As "The Bat" reaches for the satchel The Unknown covers him with a revolver. The lights are turned on and they are about to tear the mask from "The Bat's" face. With a last desperate attempt to save himself, "The Bat" kicks over a table, switches out the light, and as "The Unknown" fire, the mysterious arch-criminal leaps through the window.

"The Bat" dashes across the grounds and almost reaches safety with the satchel when his foot catches in the bear trap set by Lizzie.

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en '49ers. Only 17 but
what a crowded life!

Whom
would
you
pick?

3 GIRLS LOST

In the night life
of Chicago

with
LORETTA YOUNG
JOHN WAYNE

Low Cady
Joan Marsh-Joyce Compton
Directed by
SIDNEY LANFIELD



Parting the curtains to re-
veal the love lives of 3 Girls.
—and a few men whose
careers break into print.

DANCING AN AID TO SCREEN an early age, or unless one has it
CAREER SAYS LORETTA YOUNG.

Delightful Star Of Fox Comedy
Drama, "3 Girls Lost" Enumerates
Benefits To Be Gained From
Training In Terpsichorean Art.

"Dancing is the most important
single factor in preparing for a
screen career."

"This is the opinion of Loretta
Young, who plays the feminine lead
in "3 Girls Lost," the Fox comedy
romance opening to-day at the
Majestic Theatre.

"Few persons realize," Miss
Young says, "how essential a good
carriage and posture is to the
aspirant for picture honours. Any
slight awkwardness in walking or
standing that might easily be over-
looked in ordinary life, becomes
immensely magnified on the screen,
and it is fatal to one's success.
Bad camera angles, voice defects
and such handicaps may be remedi-
ated with a little care, but a graceful
carriage is almost impossible to
acquire unless one is trained from

to begin with.

"There is very little demand for
dancing on the screen to-day, but
the flexibility of figure that dance
training gives, is invaluable. And
in addition to that, dancing is ex-
cellent exercise, and gives one the
physique to endure the often exact-
ing requirements of picture work—
requirements that may include day
and night work for weeks at a time,
and the hardships of location trips
into the hot desert, or among rocks
and deep snow in the mountains."

Miss Young's own figure, which
won her acclaim from many artists
and beauty experts, is the product
of many years of rigorous training.
From the age of seven until she
went into pictures as a career, she
spent from one to three hours every
day in studying and practicing
dancing. Modern steps under the
tutelage of Ernest Bolecher, and
classical dancing under Ruth St.
Denis were the foundations of her
work, in addition to innumerable
hours at home, and to this back-
ground, the actress gives credit for
much of her success.

In "3 Girls Lost," Miss Young
plays the role of a country girl who
comes to Chicago in search of
romance, and finds plenty of adven-
tures along her path.

John Wayne who rose to stardom
overnight by his remarkable
portrayal of the "scout-hero" in
"The Big Trail," and Low Cady
have the leading male parts, with
Joyce Compton and Joan Marsh as
the other two "lost girls," and such
favourites as Andie Beranger, Addie
McPhail, Paul Fix and Kathryn
Clare Ward in the supporting cast.
Sidney Lanfield directed the pro-
duction.

WHAT! NO SHOOTIN'?

It sounds incredible—but a pic-
ture has been made of Chicago life,
without a machine-gun in it.

This startling innovation is "3
Girls Lost," the Fox-Majestic
feature which begins to-day at the
Majestic Theatre with Loretta
Young, John Wayne and Low Cady
in the leading roles. Although
Cody plays the part of an under-
world king, the customary atmos-
phere of gangster and racketeer
films is entirely absent. The pro-
duction portrays the adventures of
a trio of damsels from as many
country towns who come to the big
Illinois city in search of romance.
Joyce Compton and Joan Marsh
have the other important roles in
the picture, which was directed by
Sidney Lanfield.

LEARNS HOW TO DO "IT" AGAIN.

Henrietta Crosman Is Newest Talkie
"Deb."

Henrietta Crosman, that grande
dame of the Broadway stage, is one
of the latest of the veterans of the
street-called-bright to "go talkie."
Her debut takes place in "The
Royal Family of Broadway" Para-
mount's filmization of the stage
play which was made last Summer
at the New York studios.

During the first few days of
"shooting" Miss Crosman had some
misgivings about her ability to
"make good" in the audible films.

One incident in particular caused
her some anxiety.

"You see," she said, "I had a
line with the word 'it' in it. I was
certain of my delivery, yet the line
had to be done again. 'Won't you
get more emphasis on that 'it',
Miss Crosman?' asked my director,
Cyril Gardner. And we had to do
it again."

They did "it" again and again.
Once, after her line, Miss Crosman
inquired, "Did I do 'it' right that
time?" while the mike was still re-
cording the dialogue. "It" had to
be done again.

"To think," smiled Miss Crosman,
that this sweet young girl (indicat-
ing Mary Brian who has an im-
portant part in the play) should
be such a veteran of the talkie art
while I, a veteran more than twice
her age, should be but a novice in
this two-year old profession."

But there is nothing sour in Miss
Crosman's attitude. She is all for
the talkies. She considers them an
art; she has no time for the old-
time stage stars—her colleagues—
who sneer at them. Silent pictures
she never viewed. "I detested
them," she says.

"But the talkies," she declares,
warmly, "you can't keep me away.
Think of it! I shall be attending,
seeing and hearing myself at my
own debut!"

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

EXPOSED!

THE PRIVATE LIFE OF
AMERICA'S FAVOURITES.



INA
CLAIRE

FREDRIC
MARCH

IN
**The Royal Family
OF BROADWAY**

A Paramount Picture

THURSDAY TO SATURDAY

SKY - HIGH ROMANCE!

WITH THE HERO OF "WINGS"



CHARLES (BUDDY) ROGERS
"Young Eagles"

WITH
JEAN ARTHUR - PAUL LUKAS
A Paramount Picture

Breathtaking action in the
clouds! Heart-grIPPING
romance in glamorous Paris!
America's boy-friend in his
greatest role since "Wings."
A daring, dashing war-ace.
Making love to a beautiful
girl-spy, his sweetheart of
"Half Way to Heaven."
Duty and love conflict!
Which wins?

William ("Wings") Wellman's
new zooming thrill-spectacle.
Like his "Wings" and "Legion
of the Condemned." And
this is all-talking. You see
and hear the terrific air com-
bats; the flashing wings of
planes in battle. The fun of
fighting men at rest. The
glittering gaiety of Paris.

HOW DO CELEBRATED STARS OF
SILVER SCREEN GET THAT WAY.

ONE OF AMERICA'S FIRST
EXPONENTS OF CHIC CLICKS.

Sidney Lanfield, Director Of Fox
Romance, "3 Girls Lost" Reveals
How John Wayne, Loretta
Young And Joyce Compton
Broke In.

What a director has had for
breakfast may be the making of a
picture star.

These seemingly unconnected
ideas, however, have often brought
a future celebrity to light. In the
final analysis, it is often found that
a player whose name appears in
electric lights usually got his or
her start by being chosen for a
particular role in a particular pic-
ture. And the original choice by
the director can easily have depend-
ed on his disposition at the
moment, which in turn may have
been influenced by such trivial
things as burnt toast for breakfast
or a puncture on the way to the
studio.

While directing "3 Girls Lost"
the Fox comedy drama opening
to-day at the Majestic Theatre,
Sidney Lanfield discovered that
some such chance governed the first
step of nearly all his players.

Loretta Young was playing "bit"
roles when Herbert Brenon chose
her from more than 50 girls, to play
opposite the late Lon Chanoy in
"Laugh, Clown, Laugh"—a role
that immediately brought her to the
attention of the entire industry.

John Wayne was a property boy
on the Fox lot, when Raoul Walsh
selected him from dozens of ap-
plicants for the coveted lead in
"The Big Trail."

Joyce Compton, after "breaking
in" as an extra through the medium
of a newspaper beauty contest,
struggled along for months without
recognition until John Hyastone
chose her for a prominent part in
"Ankles Preferred," which in turn
brought her a Fox contract.

Joan Marsh, had little luck until
John Murray Anderson, struck by
her vivid blonde colouring, gave
her a role in "King of Jazz" that
led to bigger parts in "Inspiration"
and "Dance, Fools, Dance."

The only member of the "3 Girls
Lost" cast who did not achieve
screen prominence in some such
fortuitous manner, is Low Cady.
Cady made his film debut as a full-
fledged leading man, but at that
time he was already a noted figure
on the New York stage.

Ina Claire's reputation as one of
the best-dressed women in America
doesn't suffer a bit from the clothes
she wears in Paramount's "The
Royal Family of Broadway" which
comes to the Majestic Theatre on
Tuesday next for a two run. This
is the unanimous opinion of the
women who saw the picture in pro-
duction at Paramount's New York
studio. An original Chanel even-
ing gown, a \$25,000 chinchilla coat,
and another evening gown of gold
lace are outstanding.

The Chanel gown fitted Miss
Claire without an alteration,
a remarkable occurrence ac-
cording to the wardrobe de-
partment. It is white, de-
corated with rhinestones, belted
and remarkably simple. It is a
treat for womanly eyes.



COMMENCING THURSDAY

**CHARLES (BUDDY)
ROGERS**
"YOUNG
EAGLES"
A Paramount Picture



COMING!
HOW?
is a poor fellow going to resist—and resist—and resist?
Featuring
JOHN WAYNE
VIRGINIA CHERILL
MARGUERITE CHURCHILL
GIRLS Demand EXCITEMENT
Directed by SEYMOUR FELIX
FOX PICTURE

COMING!
THE HIGHEST SALARIED STAR
CONSTANCE BENNETT
IN
COMMON LAW
AN RKO PATHE PICTURE.

CENTRAL
SEE THEATRE HEAR

BOOKING AT THE THEATRE, 'PHONE NO. 25720.



COMING!
Low **AYRES**
UP for MURDER

ZANE GREY STORY NEW OUT-OF-DOOR TALKING PICTURE.

Spectacular Action Romance, "The Border Legion," Has Star Featured Cast.



From the moment she sees him, she is lost! He kisses her! She is wildly happy!—But she is a woman forbidden to love!

RUTH CHATTERTON

"The Right to Love"

A Paramount Picture

with

PAUL LUKAS



ANN HARDING.

"The Border Legion," Zane Grey's thrilling story of romance and out-lavry in the early days of the West, has been brought to the talking screen as one of the most outstanding spectacular action dramas so far filmed with dialogue. It is another of the master outdoor talking pictures which Paramount initiated with the production of "The Virginian."

In addition to Richard Arlen and Fay Wray, in the leading romantic roles, "The Border Legion," which will open its first day run at the Central Theatre to-morrow, has the familiar and popular figure of Jack Holt, playing his first talking Zane Grey role, in the cast. Fay Wray, seen recently as the gorgeous senorita of Gary Cooper's "The Texan," has the only woman role of importance in the picture. Eugene Pallette, famous as the Sergeant Heath of the S.S. Van Dine thrillers, has a role similar to the one he portrayed in "The Virginian."

"The Border Legion" is one of the most popular and actionful stories produced by Zane Grey. The story has the colorful gold-rush days of the 1870's as its background, and the desperate outlaw band which harried the adventurous miners for its subject. Spectacular scenes of daring deeds, raids on a typical gold settlement, a troop of mounted men breasting a raging mountain torrent, and tender moments of growing romance make rare entertainment, filled with suspense and hair-raising action.

Scenes for "The Border Legion" were filmed almost entirely on location, on the very ground where similar action happened in real life less than fifty years ago. The beautiful natural setting of California high Sierras is effectively mirrored by the camera to increase the feeling of reality.

Otto Brower, who has many Zane Grey hits to his credit, co-directed with Edwin H. Knopf. Edward E. Paramore, Jr., who wrote the dialogue for the film version of "The Virginian," joined with Percy Heath, adaptor of "Close Harmony," on the screen play.

COMING ATTRACTION!

with
MAY ROBSON

Frances Dade, James Hall, Lawrence Gray, Edmund Breese. Directed by James Flood from the play by Howard McKent Barnes.



The picture that's driving the country's blues away.

A picture you'll be glad to tell your friends about—if they haven't already told you. Nothing like it ever screened before. The laugh hit of the season. Flashed by critics as the sort of a picture the talking screen was made for. New, different, unusual. A story that plunges you deep into the life of the world's richest woman and the love plots of the young folks surrounding her. SEE IT—and get the laugh-thrill of a lifetime.

Mother's MILLIONS

TO-DAY ONLY!

AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20 P.M.



With a distinguished cast of five great stars and a big supporting cast.

HE LOVED LIFE MORE THAN LOVE!

A poor young man—suddenly plucked in the midst of a millionaire atmosphere by engagement to a beautiful girl—and still his head was not turned! For HE LOVED LIFE MORE THAN LOVE, and rather than sacrifice the gay mad days of youth to making money, he—But you must SEE this unique and fascinating film to enjoy to the full its marvellous human story!



with ANN HARDING · MARY ASTOR · Edward Everett HORTON
ROBERT AMES · HEDDA HOPPER · Pathe Picture

STARTING TO-MORROW

ZANE GREY'S

"THE BORDER LEGION"

with
**RICHARD ARLEN
JACK HOLT
FAY WRAY
EUGENE PALLETTE.**



A Paramount Picture

Man - fighting, woman - loving terrors of the gold lands. Destroyed by a woman they can't understand. The greatest of Western story-tellers created it. Like "The Virginian," all-talking, all-out-doors. Spectacular action! Backgrounds of thrilling beauty! Stirring romance in a land where a woman is a rarity. Filled with death-daring courage and high adventure.

BRILLIANT CAST IN FILM FROM BARRY'S PLAY; E. B. DERR SUPERVISES, EDWARD H. GRIFFITH DIRECTS.

With a magnificent stage investiture as beautiful as it is rare, and every interior setting distinctly a work of art, rich, tasty and restful to the eye, Pathe's screen version of Philip Barry's successful stage play, "Holiday," is in every sense of the term, a dialogue production de luxe. A tensely emotional drama of high society and vast wealth, interpreted by stage and screen players of exceptional prominence, and produced on a highly pretentious scale, this picture is at once impressive, charming, massive, thrilling. The dramatic moments are finely relieved throughout the action by delicious comedy, while the dialogue, compact and witty, leaves little to be desired. "Holiday" is a picture that will click at every box-office, for it is one of the most outstanding screen productions of the year.

Here is an enchanting story of two sisters of high social station and unlimited wealth who fall in love with the same man—a young man with a high ideal, who scorns money and hopes to enjoy life while he is young rather than grub for wealth until life has no further joys to offer. But he loved a girl who failed to appreciate his aim, and the sister who secretly loves him seems to be do trop until the denouement which comes almost without warning. Here is a drama of human lives which might have been taken from any cross section of well-to-do America; and in "Holiday" it is pictured in the pencil tones of verisimilitude and with a beauty and charm that will appeal to all alike with irresistible force.

The picture owes much of its magnetic quality to the artistic portrayals of the featured players in the cast. In congenial roles are Ann Harding, Mary Astor, Edward Everett Horton, Robert Ames and Hedda Hopper—stage artists of supreme merit. From every standpoint of screen artistry, the players in "Holiday" are outstanding. This is especially true of the support which includes Elizabeth Forrester, Hallam Cooley, Monroe Carter.



What A Pair!

Stanley Smith, "Sweetie's" boyfriend, and Ginger Rogers, cuddlecome cutie of "Young Man of Manhattan." As the Jack and Queen of Hearts, in

QUEEN HIGH

A Paramount Picture



Osway, William Holden, Croighton Hale, Mabel Forrest and May Elizabeth Forbes.

The production was made under the supervision of E. B. Derr and was directed by Edward H. Griffith. It is based on the stage success by Philip Barry, produced by Arthur Hopkins in New York, and was adapted for the screen by Horace Jackson. The music was directed by Josiah Zuro. The cameraman was Norbert Brodine, and the sound engineers were D. A. Cutler and Harold Stine. The rich costumes worn by the players were designed by Owen Wakeling. Every detail of the production was supervised by a specialist, the result being a picture as alluring and exquisite as has thus far been presented on any screen.

"Holiday" is a photoplay production with dialogue and music shown of every degree will welcome as a box office magnet that will not only yield them handsome profits, but win the hearty commendation of the picture fans to whom they

COMING ATTRACTION!



HE: "You have flouted society—you must pay! Wealth and beauty can't laugh at love!"

SHE: "You—You are a traitor to love! You have made me a plaything for your ambition. You are sentenced to love me, in vain, for life!"

"MANSLAUGHTER"

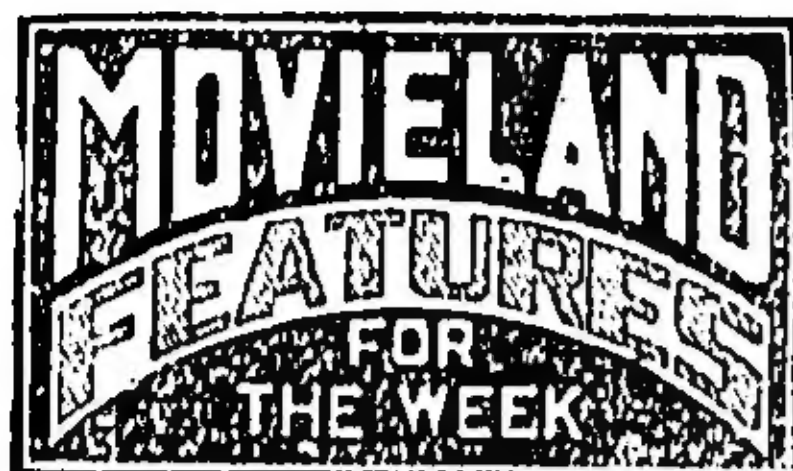
Claudette Colbert
Fredric March
A Paramount Picture

THE YEAR'S
GREATEST
DRAMATIC
SENSATION.



AMUSEMENTS

OF HONGKONG



STAR THEATRE.

Daily at 2.30, 5.20, 7.30 & 9.20 p.m.

To-day and To-morrow:—The musical extravaganza that is greater and better than ever, "The New Fox Movietone Follies of 1930" featuring El Brendel and a galaxy of stars. Tuesday and Wednesday:—The internationally famed comedian, "Will Rogers" in "So This Is London," a riotous farce with Irene Rich, Frank Albertson and Maureen O'Sullivan. Thursday to Saturday:—Lon Chaney's first, last and only all-talking human drama, "The Unholy Three."

STORY CAPTIVATES AND MUSIC CHARMS IN "FOLLIES OF 1930."

Sensational in the staging of its musical numbers, entrancing in story and the epitome of vibrant youth at play, "The New Fox Movietone Follies of 1930" will make its re-appearance at the Star Theatre to-day.

An unusually strong cast of stage and screen favourites presents this year's edition of "Movietone Follies," including El Brendel, Marjorie White, Frank Richardson, Noel Francis, William Collier, Miriam Seegar, J. M. Kerrigan, Yola D'Avril, Huntley Gordon and Paul Nicholson. In addition there are many speciality singers and a dancing ensemble of 300.

The story, which supplies a wealthy New York playboy, and Miss Seegar, who is the star of a Broadway musical production. Although in love with him, she ends their love affair when he becomes involved in a night club brawl.

Collier's wealthy uncle, played by Gordon, threatens to disinherit him if he doesn't keep away from all stage people in the future.

To see Miriam, Collier hires the entire company for a benefit performance at his uncle's Long Island estate and she goes, not knowing that it is to be at his home.

She resents his trickery but goes on with the show, learning finally that he was not to blame for the brawl but merely went to the rescue of a companion.

In the midst of the performance, in walks Collier's uncle, raging at his nephew for violating his orders regarding stage people. Mean-

FASHION TALK.

Adrian, famous gown designer for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, sends to the readers of the Herald page this week, a most interesting wire on current fashions.

He states in it, "One does not keep ahead of the fashion, fashion keeps ahead of you. Fashion is continually moving, evolving, crystallizing, eliminating, dropping off the unnecessary, building upon sound foundations."

"Fashion grows like a plant. Designers who create are simply gardeners who try to bring new specimens from an already strong plant. We designers are all Burbanks, so to speak. We work on the growing tree . . . each of us being responsible for a certain influence."

"Such an influence may evolve in Hollywood, New York, Paris . . . or because some celebrity slipped on a fall dress backwards . . . and appeared in public with the wrong coloured hat!"

"All fashion is due primarily to the way we happen to be thinking. It is the result of a state of mind . . . or the mood that the world happens to be in at the moment heading as nations."

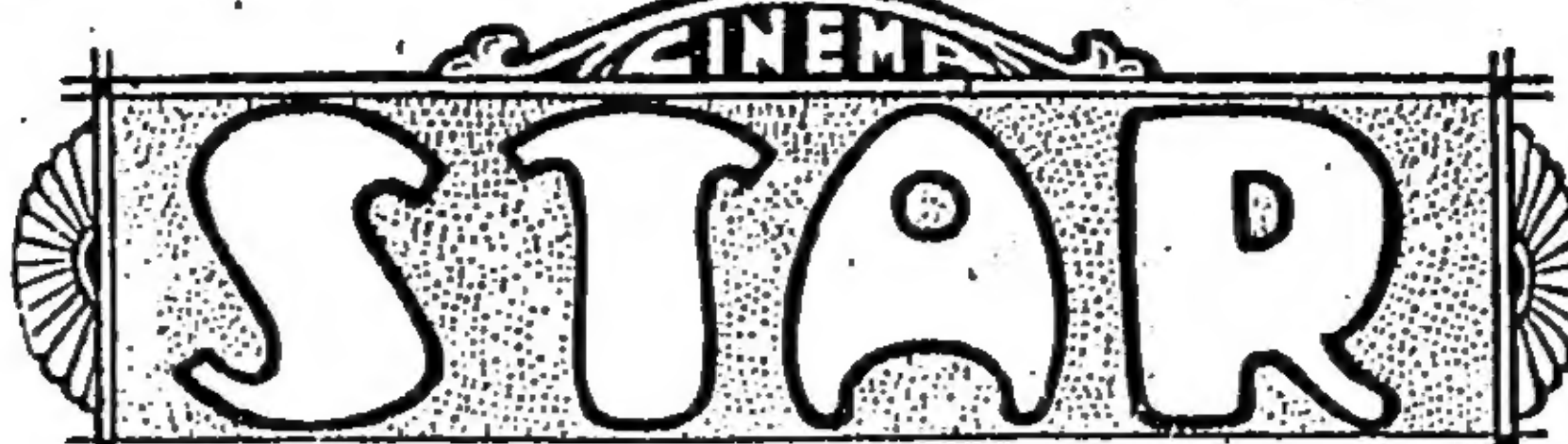
"The Victorian feeling which has been more than popular recently is simply the result of a natural reaction after much free and hectic youthfulness. It is a return to charm, a wild desire for romance that is the result of young women turning from the gin and flapper period, in a revulsion of feelings."

"Heretofore we thought leg of mutton sleeves hideous. To-day we appreciate their quaintness. Why is all this? Simply because we have gone through forced, artificial sophistication . . . and are to-day undergoing a definite reaction to older, more solid forms of life and dress."

while, Brendel, Collier's valet, but masquerading as a lumber king, has been carrying on a flirtation with Noel Francis and Marjorie White. Noel discovers who Brendel is and magnanimously turns him over to Marjorie, who has been fighting off the attentions of Frank Richardson, a song and dance man in the show.

Noel, who has been carrying on a secret love affair with Gordon, hears him threatening Collier and through methods of her own, brings about an amicable settlement that results in Collier and Miriam promising to "love, honour and obey."

Brendel, also carrying on with Yola D'Avril, a French maid in the house, is caught by her making love to Marjorie, and Marjorie finally tumbles to his true status and returns to Richardson. At the finish, Brendel receives a letter with news that he really is a millionaire, so every one is happy.



TO-DAY & TO-MORROW

of the fun filled laugh laden Romance with sparkling

El Brendel
Marjorie White
Wm. Collier, Jr.
Noel Francis
Frank Richardson
Miriam Seegar

The NEW MOVIE TONE FOLLIES OF 1930

NEW SONG!
NEW GIRLS!
NEW FOLLIES!

Directed by Benjamin Stoll-off

Seven Song Successes—glorious girl galaxy

Story and dialogue by William K. Wells

A bigger, brighter, better version with El Brendel posing as a lumber king lover.

And the way that capable comic makes love, gives us folks more side splitting laughs than anything you'll recall since his hilarious humor in "Hot for Paris" and other hits.

Marjorie White and Frank Richardson toss in their share of the fun in this movietone masterpiece.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

in a rippling role that's perfect for his pleasing personality, written for Fox Movietone by Owen Davis, Sr.

WILL ROGERS

with Irene Rich, Frank Albertson, Maureen O'Sullivan, Lumsden Hare, Bramwell Fletcher

"SO THIS IS LONDON"

KENTUCKY JUBILEE SINGERS

AT A BALL GAME

LON CHANEY TALKS IN "THE UNHOLY THREE."

A curiosity equal to that which was occasioned by the appearance of Greta Garbo in her first talking picture has been aroused in connection with the showing at the Star Theatre of Lon Chaney's initial talking production, "The Unholy Three" in which the "man of many faces" will introduce movie audiences for the first time to his many voices.

The picture an adaptation of the C. A. Robbins story done by Chaney as a silent film several years ago, was directed by Jack Conway who had previously directed the star in "While the City Sleeps." The supporting cast includes Lila Lee, Elliott Nugent, who together with his father, J. C. Nugent, also wrote the dialogue, Harry Earles, John Miljan, Ivan Linow, Clarence Burton and Crauford Kent.

The principal scenes of the picture are laid first in the environment of a circus side-show section and later in a bird and animal shop in which Chaney in the disguise of an old woman hides from the police who are seeking him for a murder. In the pet-shop sequences Chaney reveals a new angle of his versatile talents, that of ventriloquism by which he makes the parrots "talk." By the same method he makes the dummy in the side-show sequences not only talk but sing "Sweet Rosie O'Grady."

It is said that when the sideshow scenes were filmed the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio lots looked like the combined Barnum Bailey and Ringling Brothers Circus grounds what with freaks, animals, trapeze performers, hula-hula dancers and other typical details of a gaudy side-show sector. Chaney, in an endeavour to make the atmosphere as realistic as possible insisted that actual circus freaks be employed in consequence of which Al Copeland, head of Copeland's Circus secured the services of Birdie Thompson, five hundred pound "fat girl," Harry Kane, "living skeleton," the great De Carro, "fire-eater" and a number of others.

None of these circus performers had ever appeared before a camera and several of them could not be induced to act until they had satisfied superstitious requirements. De Garro, for instance, would not eat fire until he had repeated a magic formula in French to make sure that he wouldn't burn his tongue. Fire-eaters, he declared, had done this for centuries. Miss Thompson, the fat girl, wouldn't go on until she had walked three times around the cameras. Motion pictures, she said, were something new in her business and no new business should be embarked upon without this precaution.

Each performer, furthermore, insisted on a private dressing room.

"SO THIS IS LONDON."

The wit and philosophy of Will Rogers flows freely through "So This Is London," his second picture for Fox Movietone, attraction at the Star Theatre, commencing Tuesday. Rogers draws salary only as an actor, but he is seldom at a loss to supply humorous dialogue or create laughable situations during the making of a picture in which he is the central figure.

For example, the scene in "They Had to See Paris" where Irene Rich led Rogers into the capacious hall of the chateau and Rogers, taking his place on the second step of the broad stairs in a loud voice, called: "All aboard! New York Central express, train going West, Albany, Syracuse, Buffalo, Cleveland and Chicago."

There was nothing in the script demanding this action, but it occurred to the nimble witted Rogers and he put it in—and it stayed in, with the result that it created one of the biggest laughs of the picture.

Rogers introduced many other laughable situations in "They Had to See Paris" and he has repeated in "So This Is London" which is replete with Rogerisms.

Irene Rich again appears with Rogers in his second all talking picture and other notables of the screen and stage in the supporting cast are Frank Albertson, Maureen O'Sullivan, Lumsden Hare, Mary Forbes, Dorothy Christy, Bramwell Fletcher and Martha Lee Sparks.

John Blystone directed the production, based on George M. Cohan's international stage success.

In explaining this, Chaney's stated, "No one hides the secret of his work so carefully as the side-show performer. Many of the tricks of these entertainers have been handed down from generation to generation and they jealously guard them from everyone. As soon as they came on the set they demanded separate rooms so that they could unpack their paraphernalia unseen."

Dramatic spots in "The Unholy Three" include the fight in the sideshow after the ventriloquist attempts to pick the pockets of an onlooker; the mysterious murder on Christmas Eve; the scene in which the embittered midget sets loose an orang-outang so that he can attack the side-show giant; and Chaney's final scene in the courtroom where he reveals himself by tearing off the old woman's disguise.

Chaney, who achieved a distinguished niche in filmdom for his impersonations and disguise in such pictures as "Road to Mandalay," "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," "Thunder" and "Tell It to the Marines," among others, presents an entirely new aspect as a talking player.

STAR THURSDAY TO SATURDAY

LON CHANEY talks in 5 different voices

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I, JACOB CHANEY, being first duly sworn, depose and say:

That the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same, as the same appears from the records of the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on the 29th day of November, 1931.

J. C. CHANEY

Notary Public for the State of California

THE UNHOLY THREE

WORLD COMING SHORTLY



JANET GAYNOR and CHARLES FARRELL

are still the talking screen's finest lovers and this lyric laden movietone romance was made by the director of "Sunny Side Up,"

keep cool

You'll always enjoy a good show at the King's.

The temperature in this theatre is never over 74 degrees the best temperature for comfort and health.

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"OUR" SENSE OF HUMOUR.

I think it can be safely stated that the names of British film stars to come quickly to mind are those in the comedy or character part category. As in so often written, the female beauty with "it" is sadly lacking in British films, but in the male line we can boast of names such as Gordon Harker, Ralph Lynn, Tom Walls, Walter Forde, Leslie Henson, Sydney Howard and Bobby Howes—Bobby Howes' only appearance so far in a talking film is in "Third Time Lucky" and he made an instantaneous success when the film was shown in London. I admit the comedy element is stronger, but it only goes to prove that although we may be lacking in American sex appeal we still possess our sense of humour. Most of the farces filmed have been photographed stage plays, but they have justified the method in the resultant success in practically all cases. "Rookery Nook" set the fashion in film farces, and Ralph Lynn immediately became, in film slang, a "box-office draw." The latest production, "The Chance of a Night-Time," was directed by Ralph Lynn and Herbert Wilcox, and I am told that Ralph Lynn justifies his rise to complete stardom in this film. Ben Travers, author of so many of the farces that placed the Aldwych Theatre on the map of theatregoers, has written "The Chance of a Night-Time" direct for the screen. The story concerns the adventures of a simple solicitor who, mistaken for a well-known exhibition dancer, decides to carry on with the deception while under the spell of the pretty lady partner. They perform at a country house party, and the guests get entertainment as unexpected as it is funny.

For a hearty laugh see "The Chance of a Night-Time." It gives Ralph Lynn a chance to be his charming, diffidently chivalrous, hesitant self, and thus provide a succession of pure fun. He appears as a bachelor solicitor who meets a dancer on a railway station and falls heavily for her charms. Later he meets her at a private house, where he has been taken by mistake, and under the influence of Cupid and champagne he undertakes to deputise as her missing partner. When the real dancer appears he has a hectic time in escaping the wrath of the master of the house, but in his cavalierly fashion he succeeds in doing so and departs with the girl.

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RALPH LYNN
ROBERT ENGLISH
KENNETH KOVE
DINO GALVANI
SUNDAY WILSHIN
WINIFRED SHOTTER

Directed by HERBERT WILCOX and RALPH LYNN.

A BRITISH PRODUCTION.



SOME BEAUTIFUL FROCKS.

Some beautiful frocks will be seen in "The Chance of a Night-Time," a farce specially written for the screen by Ben Travers. Realising that three parts of the attraction American beauties have in films is due to their lovely clothes, the British and Dominions Film Corporation, producers of "The Chance of a Night-Time," decided to engage an expert to dress the ladies in the cast. Lady Victor Pagot entered into an agreement with them, and the happy result can be seen in this film. Never has Winifred Shutter, leading lady, looked more charming, and her clothes now seem part of her personality. Sunday Wilshin, who plays a big part in this production, has some really exquisite evening gowns to wear, particularly outstanding is a black dance frock with a velvet bodice and yards of soft net forming a tiered skirt slightly trailing at the back. Miss Wilshin wears elbow-length black gloves with this model, and with her lovely blonde hair and avoile figure she looks almost entablé. A very useful little day suit is worn by Miss Shutter, also in black velvet, consisting of a short jacket with the new basque hip line, edged with astrakhan and a perfectly straight skirt. A soft little white satin tuck-in blouse is worn with this and a black turban hat, swathed in white. A charming finishing touch is added by a spray of white camellias worn on the lapel of the coat.

SCREENLAND FEATURES
FOR THE WEEK

Daily at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

To-day to Wednesday. — "THE CHANCE OF A NIGHT-TIME," a British Comedy Picture, with Ralph Lynn, Robert English and Kenneth Kove.

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MRS. H. DAVIES
Pioneer in Education
for Girls.
MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The staff, together with the present and past pupils of the Ying Wa Girls' School, and many friends, gathered in the school hall yesterday afternoon, when a Memorial Service was held for Miss Helen Davies, a pioneer in the education of Chinese girls and founder of the school. She retired in 1930 after 42 years of service here and died at home on October 7 of this year, after only a few months in the homeland.

Mark of Respect.

The service, which was entirely in Chinese, opened with the hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past," followed by a prayer and the reading of a passage from the Scripture. The head mistress, Miss D. Hutchinson, then gave Miss Davies' history, following which the gathering observed a short silence as a mark of respect for the deceased.

The hymn "For all the Saints" was then sung, after which one of the former girls paid a tribute to her. Another prayer was said, and the present girls sang the School Hymn.

Next came the "Chui To Taz" (Memorial Tributes) written by hand and read from the platform by those paying the tributes. The ceremony with which Miss Davies was always held by the Chinese of the Colony was evident by the fact that these tributes were paid by men, women and girls, all of whom spoke highly of her virtues and qualifications as an educationalist.

"Hark the Sound of Holy Voices" was sung, and then the Rev. Cheung Chuk-ling gave an address in which he referred to the self-sacrifice of Miss Davies, who, as a young woman, left her home to travel so many miles out to Hong Kong to labour for the well being of at least three generations of Chinese womanhood here. He afterward led a prayer and following the singing of the hymn "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," gave the Benediction, with which the service closed.

The thoughts behind the service were primarily, Remembrance, and then Thanksgiving and Dedication. It was most impressive and touching, many in the hall being moved to tears.

Miss Davies was appointed by the London Missionary Society to Hong Kong in 1888 and she arrived about Christmas of that year. Apart from short absences on furlough Miss Davies spent 42 years in educational work. Her life may be described as a life spent freely for the education of Chinese girls.

A moment's thought will show that she began her work in those early days when it was not the usual practice of Chinese residents to send their daughters to schools.

With characteristic self-discipline Miss Davies prepared her self for this work and as soon as her knowledge of the spoken language of Kwangtung allowed, she undertook the superintendence of several small Girls' Day Schools. It was not long before she began a boarding school in one of the L.M.S. chapels. Eleven years after her arrival she moved the Girls' Boarding School to a new building in Bonham Road for which she raised the necessary funds and superintended the building.

From then onward during her long residence Miss Davies gave herself to the one aim and purpose of building up this school. In 1929 a new school building was erected on an adjoining site at a cost of over \$100,000, to which the Government contributed \$50,000. This new building was formally opened just before her retirement last year.

Miss Davies was thus able to see the dreams of a life time fulfilled and to hand over to her successors a school with over 300 pupils and buildings, worthy of the school. The school is now known as the Ying Wa Girls' School and is graded from kindergarten to a matriculation standard. The head mistress is Miss D. Hutchinson.

Miss Davies never sought publicity, but in the Colony, in the province of Kwangtung, and other parts of China many of her old pupils learned of her death with sorrow coupled with thanksgiving for her life and purpose running through her life. Miss Davies, positions of trust and honour, throughout her 42 years of service, day will hold her name in honour and saw many of her pupils take as long as memory lasts.

RESULTS OF CUP AND LEAGUE MATCHES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

ENGLISH CUP.

Darwen	4 Peterboro'	1 Bournemouth	1 Northfleet
Yorkshire A.	1 Carlisle	0 Luton	0
Crewe	2 Gainsboro'	2 Coventry	2 Clapton O.
New Brighton	3 York	1 Aldershot	7 Chelmsford
Gateshead	3 Doncaster	1 Cardiff	8 Enfield
Rotherham	0 Wrexham	1 Northampton	9 Metro. Police
Crooktown	0 Accrington	2 Torquay	1 Southend
Darlington	3 Stockport	0 Wimbledon	1 Norwich
Chester	1 Walsall	1 Bristol R.	5 Gillingham
Newark T.	4 Hartlepool	0 Fulham	2 Watford
M'chester Cen.	1 Halifax	1 Bath City	9 Nunhead
Tranmere	0 Lincoln	3 Reading	0 Crystal Pnt.
Hull	3 West Stanley	0 Barnet	3 Queen's P.R.
Lancaster	4 Mansfield	1 Tunbridge W.	1 Brentford
Scunthorpe	2 Rochdale	3 Folkestone	2 Brighton
		1 Yeovil & Petters	3 Hayes

1 Arsenal	6 Liverpool	0 Barnsley	4 Preston N.E.	2
2 Birmingham	5 Huddersfield	0 Bradford C.	2 Notts Forest	2
3 Blackburn	2 West Ham	4 Bristol C.	1 Charlton	2
4 Blackpool	4 Grimsby	3 Bury	4 Bradford	3
5 Derby	5 Bolton	1 Leeds	3 Chesterfield	3
6 Everton	9 Leicester	2 Millwall	1 Tottenham	2
7 Manchester C.	3 Aston Villa	3 Notts County	5 Southampton	0
8 Portsmouth	2 Wednesday	0 Oldham	0 Wolves	2
9 Sheffield U.	4 Chelsea	1 Plymouth	1 Stoke	1
10 Sunderland	1 Newcastle	4 Port Vale	1 Manchester C.	2
11 West Brom.	1 Middlesb'ro'	1 Swansea	5 Burnley	1

1 First Division.	2 Second Division.
3 Third Division.	4 Fourth Division.

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NAVAL YARD. Recreation Club Activities.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE.

The first Dance of the Season, held at the Royal Engineers' Theatre was a complete success. About 270. members and their friends attended, including a good sprinkling of Officers and Men of the Navy and Army.

Commodore and Mrs. Walker, together with Heads of Departments and their lady friends, helped considerably to give the season a good start-off, and all present appeared to be having an enjoyable time, although the floor was at times rather crowded.

The "Florida" Dance Band kept excellent rhythm, were more than usually generous with encores, and undoubtedly enhanced their growing reputation.

Mr. A. H. Oswick, as M.C., and the Social Committee can look back with satisfaction upon the successful inauguration of the series of dances they hope to hold during the Winter.

The third Whist Drive was held at the Club premises on Friday, and was again a success. There were fourteen tables. Prizes were won by Messdames Rumsey, Jones and Leverett, and Messrs. Lewis, Male and Buckingham.

The next drive is announced for December 11.

Tennis.
The Club tournament has progressed during the week by two matches R. H. Hambly beat A. Matthews 6-4, 6-0 after a really good match. The first set was keenly contested, but Hambly, by superior agility, excellent positioning and some beautiful volleying and placing, overcame his opponent fairly easily in the second set although the latter did not have the best of luck with a number of his shots.

A. A. Lewis beat A. G. Ursell, 6-4, 6-4. This was a very even match in which the winner's play was the stander.

IMPORT FIGURES

Dumping Goods Into Britain.

HEAVY INCREASES

Rugby, Yesterday.
The rush of foreign exporters to get goods into Britain before abnormal importations orders came into operation is reflected in Board of Trade figures just issued. They show that, so far as commodities affected by the order are concerned, imports for the first ten days of November equal and sometimes exceed imports for October, while the figures for October 1 to November 10 are on the average double of the total of imports for the complete months of October and November last year. — British Wireless Service.

RACIAL FEUDS

Hatred of Hindu Factions

GUN PLAY IN U.S.A.

Marysville (Cal.), Yesterday.

Hatred of so-called Hindu factions blazed up here yesterday evening, and revolvers were freely brought into play as the result of gun play.

L. B. Marrow, alias Lal Singh, aged 34 years, was killed; and Bhagat Singh, aged 28 years, was arrested on a charge of murder. — Reuter's American Service.

M. FLANDRIN

Pays Unofficial Visit to London

Rugby, Yesterday.

The French Finance Minister, M. Flandrin, arrived in London this morning. He is joining a shooting party as the guest of his friend, Sir Gomer Berry; but it is expected he will use the occasion of the visit to discuss informally with the appropriate ministers various current questions, including the tariff issue. British Wireless Service.

FINAL SESSION

Indian Round Table Conference

PREMIER'S SPEECH

Rugby, Yesterday.
The final Plenary Session of the Indian Round Table Conference was begun at St. James' Palace this morning, and will last until Tuesday.

Some delegates have had to return to India, but there was a full attendance of those who remained. The Session intended to sit until late to-night and, perhaps, into the small hours of Sunday morning, before adjourning until Monday.

The Premier, who presided today, will make a statement of Government's policy on Tuesday.

About forty delegates have notified their intentions to speak, and discussion is likely to range over the whole field of the Conference's work.

This morning, the Premier, as Chairman of the Minorities Committee, presented its report, which recorded, with deep regret, that no agreement had been reached on the difficult and controversial question before it. The Premier also mentioned that his conditional invitation to members to request him to intervene had not been accepted. The Premier said, they had striven very hard to get an agreement and continued:

"I want to say, and with very definite conviction, that this problem can be solved still. I am as hopeful as I was at the beginning that by further work, by the exercise of the well-known pride of the Indian representatives, they will find a way out of this very troublesome situation." — British Wireless Service.

THE NEW TARIFFS.

What Is to Be Taxed.

100% DUTIES.

Rugby, Friday.
Luxury, agricultural and horticultural products, which are to be subject to the duties under the Bill, which Government will introduce next week as part of their agricultural policy, are as follows:

Fresh Fruits.
Cheerics, Currants, gooseberries, hot house Grapes, Plums and Strawberries.

Fresh Vegetables.
Asparagus, Green Beans, Broccoli, Cauliflowers, Carrots, Salad, Chicory, Cucumbers, Endive, Lettuce, Mushrooms, Green Peas, New Potatoes and Turnips.

Flowers Etc.
Cut Flowers, Plants in Flower, Flowers Attached Bulbs and Rose Trees.

The procedure is to be similar to that applied to manufactured articles under the Abnormal Importations Bill and the duties, not to exceed one hundred per cent. of the value of the articles, will be specified by orders made by the Minister of Agriculture. The New Act will operate for twelve months. — British Wireless Service.

MAN WHO MET A TIGRESS.

While Looking for Birds' Eggs.

FINDS IN INDIA.

Imagine, when looking for birds' eggs, to come face to face with a tigress; to find snakes at every turn; and to be in danger of life and limb.

Yet these are the experiences of a man who has given a famous collection of eggs to the Natural History Museum at South Kensington.

The collection of eggs is the life work of Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker, secretary of the British Ornithologists' Union, and comprises more than 80,000 eggs, representing 2,000 species of birds of the Indian Empire. The treasure of the collection is the egg of the Asiatic ring plover, which nests in the rocks of a plateau 14,000 feet above the sea level. It is the only one in the world.

Began 50 Years Ago.

It is more than 50 years ago since Mr. Stuart Baker, then a junior member of the Imperial Indian Police, began to collect the eggs of Indian birds. He found it a fascinating hobby, with many thrills and adventures.

Tigers and snakes lurked in the dense undergrowth and thick jungle where many of his rare specimens were collected. There were journeys of hundreds of miles to desolate mountainous regions to pursue of strange birds previously unknown to man.

Mr. Baker has had many moments of great triumph when his search has proved successful, and in his collection are more than 200 eggs of birds which have never been obtained by other hunters.

Tiger Tracks.
"A very narrow escape was when I was tracking a pair of small creeping birds in the mountainous regions of Assam."

"The place was far from human habitation, and I found the fresh tracks of a tiger."

"I took little notice, and all my attention was concentrated on the two birds hopping over the ground in front of me."

"These birds disappeared into a particularly dense stretch of the jungle, and thinking that I had spotted their nest I pushed my head and shoulders into the thick bush."

"Instead of the nest I found a fully-grown tigress confronting me — our heads were only a few inches apart."

"The tigress was also surprised, and with a growl of consternation dashed away."

Only a Shot Gun.
"It was just as well — because I had only a small shot gun. One of Mr. Baker's collectors was less fortunate and was killed by a tiger when searching for bustard's eggs in the grass plains of the Brahmaputra river."

The value of Mr. Baker's gift to the Museum is greatly enhanced by the fact that every clutch of eggs is accompanied by a signed data ticket, the authenticity of the eggs being vouched for by Mr. Baker himself, or by some other ornithologist of repute. Moreover, the whole collection has been minutely catalogued and each of the 80,000 eggs measured and its dimensions recorded.

DEATH OF FILM STAR

Swallowed Packet of Pins.

INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

Newspaper's Conjecture of Suicide.

New York, Yesterday.
The death certificate of Lya de Putti, giving the cause of death as "lobar pneumonia, due to gas bacillus infection," has been received.



fused by the Health Board, who have ordered an investigation by a medical examiner, according to the New York Mirror.

Rumours are current, adds the newspaper, that Lya de Putti swallowed a packet of pins with the idea of committing suicide. — Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier cablegram stated: "The Hungarian film star, Lya de Putti, has died of pneumonia following blood poisoning, after an operation for the removal of a chicken bone which had lodged in her throat. Miss Lya de Putti was only 27 years of age, and made her name in the film 'Vaudeville.'"]

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's weather report at 5.50 last night stated:

The anti-cyclone is central to the North of Hankow, nearly stationary.

Local Forecast:—Northerly winds, fresh; fine to cloudy.

FREE FIGHTS

Terminate Disarmament Conference

POLICE INTERVENTION

Paris, Yesterday.

Police intervention to quell disturbances abruptly terminated the international Disarmament Congress attended by 600 delegates from all over the world.

A noisy division of opinion whether security or disarmament should come first culminated in free fights in several parts of the hall and the proceedings were rendered impossible.

February Conference.
Geneva, Yesterday.

Fifty States out of a total of 63 invited to attend the Disarmament Conference, in February next, have notified the Secretariat of the League of Nations of their acceptance of the proposal for a year's armament truce. — Reuter.

A FRENCH CHATEAU IN INDIA.

Fantastic Dwelling Made For A "Mad" Raja.

A HAUNTED HOUSE.

Our car wheels skidded in the heaped white sand which had blown over the road, and the car slipped sideways into the wide ditch filled with spiky cactus plants, and sank deeper and deeper into the loose soil.

Driving through this remote South Indian valley between high rocky scrub-covered hills, for many miles we had seen no living soul. But, as is always the way in India, within a few minutes of our dismounting from the car, half-a-dozen peasants ran through the undergrowth and stood staring at us and talking excitedly.

The morning sun was high, and before long the scorching heat of an Indian mid-day would be upon us. Only those who know the temperature of the plains in August can realise with what dismay we faced the prospect of a wait by the roadside until help came from the nearest town.

An Old House.
Suddenly an old riot of patriarchal appearance came forward from the chattering group.

"Would the memsahibs like to wait in the old house nearby?" he asked in Tamil, pointing towards the hills. Imagining a diseased forest officers' house, or old dak bungalow, we grasped eagerly at this alternative to sunstroke, and nodded assent. But the old man hesitated and then spoke rapidly in Tamil to our chauffeur.

"He saying Indian peoples never going to this house — thinking very unlucky place and seven dead men living there," Poonia translated. "House belonging to one mad Raja who was murdered there long time ago. And if madam and missy like go in, he stay outside."

With heightened curiosity we followed the man up a narrow path through the undergrowth and came suddenly on a clearing. Then for some startled minutes my mother and I stared before us and at each other. For in front of us, in ludicrous contrast to its surroundings, stood a large French chateau of the type so often seen in Normandy. Its sloping roof was slated in French fashion, and its thick walls of crumbling white plaster enclosed three sides of a small courtyard. In the centre of this was an ornamental pool of water, now green and stagnant, surrounded by broken pieces of statuary.

Fantastic.
"Pondicherry," our old guide muttered, pointing to the south. And we realised he was trying to tell us that builders from the French colony had made this fantastic dwelling.

After much pushing, the large front door yielded to our efforts, and we found an interior comparable only with the enchanted castle in the fairy tale of the Sleeping Beauty. Room after room was papered with garish wallpaper and filled with ornate French furniture. Dust lay many inches thick on gilt chairs, inlaid tables, ormolu clocks, and whatnots laden with bric-a-brac.

A sleeping lizard stirred at our approach and scuttled behind a dusty tapestry hanging. The glass window panes, so unusual in India, were covered with cobwebs, but perhaps the strangest of all to our eyes in this land of

LAW DIFFICULT

Expulsion Order Asked For

NO VALID PASSPORT

Mahommed Jee, stated to be a business man, was, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, charged with being in the Colony without a valid passport.

Mr. F. H. Loseby, for the defence, intimated that he intended to deal with the law, which was rather difficult. He was asking for a date to be fixed. He understood that his friend, Sergt. Mottram, was asking for an expulsion order, which he (Mr. Loseby) submitted could not be made in the case of a British subject.

His Worship fixed the hearing for to-morrow at 11.15.

Brazilian in Trouble.
Carlos Lenneau Follet, a Brazilian subject, was charged with vagrancy.

Defendant requested that he be given an opportunity to see the Brazilian Consul.

Det. Sergeant Mottram, prosecuting, said that Follet was taken to see the Consul on Friday, and the Consul stated that Follet had been to see him before seeking assistance. At that time he had a paper describing himself as a Brazilian subject. Since then he had lost it. The Consul did not mention anything about putting him up in an hotel.

Defendant was remanded in Police custody till to-morrow, pending arrangements for his repatriation.

DUTCH SHIPPING

Reorganisation of the R.D.L.

GRANTS TO CEASE

The Hague, Yesterday.

The Second Chamber, by 51 votes to 21, has adopted a resolution asking the Government to grant the Royal Dutch Lloyd no further credits if the Company has not completed its financial reorganisation before May 31 and has not reached an agreement or done its best to reach one with the Rotterdam South America Line before then. — Reuter.

GERMAN GESTURE.

Negotiations on New Customs Duties.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The German Ambassador in London has been instructed immediately to enter into friendly negotiations with the British Government regarding the position created by the new Customs duties. — Reuter.

scorching heat were the fireplaces and marble mantel shelves. Upstairs in every room were carved four-poster beds with faded curtains, large feather mattresses and square French pillows.

We passed down a passage at the back of the house and found ourselves in a quarter where Indian tradition had proved stronger than the French architect's fancies — the women's apartments. There were built after the usual style of the country — large bare rooms with big fire-places; unfurnished save for a few cooking utensils and the hammocks and swing seats, suspended by chains, from the ceiling, in which all Indian women delight.

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